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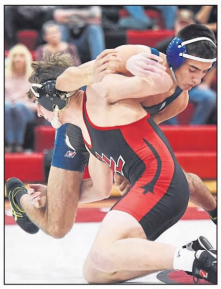

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# 'It was kind of a blur'

## 'Jeopardy!' winner Jennifer Quail looks back at long run on the show

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

DOWAGIAC — For Jennifer Quail, 2019 produced a lot of milestones.

Near the top was her long run on the television show "Jeopardy!"

Quail, who became a hit on social media and in Southwest Michigan last month, went on to become an eight-time champion for the popular trivia show.

Quail, a wine-tasting consultant for Domaine Berrien Cellars near Baroda, ended her run after winning $230,800 – giving her the 12th highest winning total ever for regular season play.

It's been almost three months since Quail taped the show and a couple weeks since her final episode aired.

"It was kind of a blur at the time," said the Dowagiac resident. "I remember I did three episodes on a Tuesday, five on a Wednesday and the last episode came two weeks later."

There was a two-week gap for Quail because the show's popular host, Alex Trebek, was out of town the following week.

The lengthy break led to an early exit on Quail's third day in studio.

"I think part of it was going back and forth," Quail said on traveling to and from California. "I didn't particularly like flying back long distance. It was a long enough break to get out of sync."

> **I can't begin to explain how much fun it was to meet all these other people, other 'Jeopardy!' fans. ... There was such a great response from people in the community.**
>
> **JENNIFER QUAIL**
> Eight-time winner on 'Jeopardy'

As for Quail's attempt to crack the Top 10 highest winnings benchmark for regular season play, she said she had no clue at the time how close she was.

Quail said she wasn't keeping track of the figure because the top two or three winners had earned millions.

Realization sunk in when Trebek jokingly opened one of the tapings with how close Quail was to being in the Top 10 in earnings.

However, Quail lost her ninth contest – finishing a close second despite getting the Final Jeopardy question correct.

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## Name of deceased kayaker released

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

NILES — Police have released the name of a kayaker who died in the St. Joseph River in Niles on New Year's Day.

Niles police Lt. Michael Stanton said Jean Claude Mutabazi, 40, of South Bend, died in the accident. Three others survived the incident. They are Ted Knudson, 81, of South Bend, Tom Lehman, 72, of South Bend, and Pierre Celestin, 37, of Berkeley, Calif. Two of the survivors also had fallen into the river. One made it to shore and the other was rescued by emergency responders. Mutabazi was pronounced dead at 12:38 p.m. at Lakeland Hospital, Niles.

Stanton said all four kayakers were wearing personal flotation devices and that Mutabazi was still wearing his when he was pulled from the river. The water temperature at the time was 39 degrees and the air temperature was 25 degrees.

The two surviving kayakers who capsized were taken to Lakeland for treatment due to cold exposure, and both have been released, Stanton said.

The kayakers launched Wednesday morning upstream from the French Paper Mill Dam on the St. Joseph River. A witness called 911 at about 8:30 a.m. when the kayakers started to struggle and three of them tipped over near the dam. One made it to shore while another clung to a cable and buoy system stretched across the river near the dam.

Emergency crews spent hours looking for the missing man. He was pulled him from the water around 12:30 p.m. after heavy equipment was brought in to move debris from where he was last seen.

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## WARM START TO 2020

Don Campbell / HP staff

**Kiteboarders take advantage of Thursday afternoon's sunny skies and 40 degree temperatures as they work the waters off Tiscornia Beach in St. Joseph.**

# The Oak Ridge Boys to headline Berrien County Youth Fair

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

BERRIEN SPRINGS — It's been more than 30 years since The Oak Ridge Boys last graced the stage of the Berrien County Youth Fair.

That will change when they return Aug. 19 to headline the fair's grandstand entertainment, youth fair organizers recently announced in a news release.

The country music act, which has had dozens of country hits over its more than 50-year career, has earned Grammy, Dove, CMA, and ACM awards and garnered a host of other industry and fan accolades.

The Oak Ridge Boys performed at the fair in 1973, '86 and '88, and at the Cass County fair in '92 and the Van Buren County fair in 2003.

The group is made up of lead singer Duane Allen, bass Richard Sterban, tenor Joe Bonsall and baritone William Lee Golden.

While the band has gone through changes in performers and names over the decades, the group members are still enthusiastic about the legacy they've left in country music.

"When I go on stage, I get the same feeling I had the first time I sang with The Oak Ridge Boys," Allen said in the release. "This is the only job I've ever wanted to have."

Sterban, who was a fan of the band before he became a member, said he's still a fan of the group today.

"Being in The Oak Ridge Boys is the fulfillment of a lifelong dream," he said.

The Oak Ridge Boys have shown off their four-part harmonies in songs like "Elvira," as well as "Bobbie Sue," "Dream On," "Thank God For Kids," "American Made," "I Guess It Never Hurts To Hurt Sometimes," "Fancy Free," "Gonna Take A Lot of River," and more.

"We always look for songs that have lasting value and that are uplifting," Allen said. "You don't hear us singing 'cheating' or 'drinking' songs but 'loving' songs, because we think that will last. We also don't put music in categories, except for 'good' or 'bad.' When we get through with it, it's probably going to sound like an Oak Ridge Boys song no matter what it is."

The concert begins at 7 p.m. Aug. 19 at the fair's Grandstand.

Tickets are on sale now for $12, $27 and $38. They can be bought over the phone at 473-1500 or in person at the fair office, 9122 U.S. Hwy 31, Berrien Springs, between 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. They can also be bought online at www.bcyf.org.

The 2020 Berrien County Youth Fair, which is celebrating 75 years this year, will run Aug. 17-22.

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**The Oak Ridge Boys will perform at this year's Berrien County Youth Fair.**

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# Democrat Julián Castro drops out of presidential race

By PAUL J. WEBER
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Former Obama housing secretary Julián Castro, the only Latino in the 2020 Democratic presidential primary race, ended his campaign Thursday after a yearlong run in which he pushed his rivals on immigration and took big swings in debates but struggled to break through with voters.

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"I'm so proud of the campaign we've run together. We've shaped the conversation on so many important issues in this race, stood up for the most vulnerable people and given a voice to those who are often forgotten," Castro said in a video announcing his exit. "But with only a month until the Iowa caucuses, and given the circumstances of this campaign season, I have determined that it simply isn't our time."

Castro, who launched his campaign last January, dropped out after failing to garner enough support in the polls or donations to qualify for recent Democratic debates. A former San Antonio mayor who later became President Barack Obama's secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Castro had stalled for most of his campaign, hovering around 1% in polls, and never came close to raising money like his better-known challengers.

He had not yet released his end-of-year fundraising numbers, but by October had raised less than $8 million total. As Castro exited the field, Bernie Sanders announced on Thursday that he brought in more than $34.5 million in the previous three months alone.

Castro's departure reflects the increasing lack of color in a Democratic field that began as one of the most diverse in history. Between Sen. Kamala Harris of California dropping out and Sen. Cory Booker of New Jersey also lagging, the sixth and final Democratic debate of 2019 had no black or Latino candidates onstage.

Last month, Castro said women and candidates of color were being pushed aside in the race because of what he called "the media's flawed formula for 'electability.'" He also ran an ad in majority-white Iowa, arguing that the state should no longer vote first in Democrats' nominating process because it doesn't reflect the diversity of the party.

# Iran's Gen. Soleimani killed in airstrike at Baghdad airport

By QASSIM ABDUL and ZEINA KARAM
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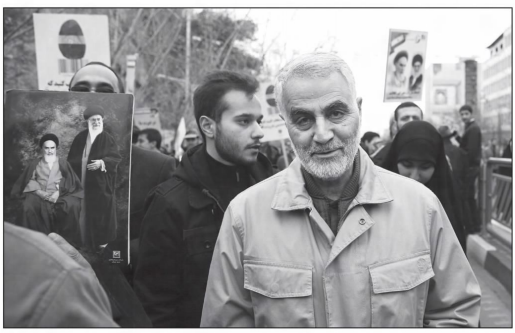
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**Qassem Soleimani, commander of Iran's Quds Force, attends an annual rally commemorating the 2016 anniversary of the 1979 Islamic revolution, in Tehran, Iran. Iraqi TV and three Iraqi officials said Friday that Gen. Qassim Soleimani, the head of Iran's elite Quds Force, has been killed in an airstrike at Baghdad's international airport.**

BAGHDAD — An airstrike killed Gen. Qassem Soleimani, head of Iran's elite Quds Force and architect of its regional security apparatus, at Baghdad's international airport Friday, Iranian state television and three Iraqi officials said, an attack that's expected to draw severe Iranian retaliation against Israel and American interests.

The strike also killed Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis, deputy commander of Iran-backed militias in Iraq known as the Popular Mobilization Forces, or PMF, the officials said. The PMF media arm said the two were killed in an American airstrike that targeted their vehicle on the road to the airport.

Citing a Revolutionary Guard statement, Iranian state television said Soleimani was "martyred" in an attack by U.S. helicopters near the airport, without elaborating.

There was no immediate comment from U.S. officials, and U.S. President Donald Trump was vacationing on his estate in Palm Beach, Florida, but sent out a tweet of an American flag.

Their deaths are a potential turning point in the Middle East and if the U.S. carried them out, it represents a drastic change for American policy toward Iran after months of tensions.

Tehran shot down a U.S. military surveillance drone and seized oil tankers. Meanwhile, the U.S. blames Iran for a series of attacks targeting tankers, as well as a September assault on Saudi Arabia's oil industry that temporarily halved its production.

The tensions take root in Trump's decision in May 2018 to withdraw the U.S. from Iran's nuclear deal with world powers, struck under his predecessor.

A senior Iraqi politician and a high-level security official confirmed to The Associated Press that Soleimani and al-Muhandis were among those killed in the attack shortly after midnight. Two militia leaders loyal to Iran also confirmed the deaths, including an official with the Kataeb Hezbollah faction, which was involved in the New Year's Eve attack by Iran-backed militias on the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad.

The security official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said al-Muhandis had arrived to the airport in a convoy along with others to receive Soleimani, whose plane had arrived from either Lebanon or Syria. The airstrike took place near the cargo area after he left the plane to be greeted by al-Muhandis and others.

Two officials from the Iraqi Popular Mobilization Forces said Soleimani's body was torn to pieces in the attack while they did not find the body of al-Muhandis. Asenior politician said Soleimani's body was identified by the ring he wore.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the subject and because they were not authorized to give official statements.

As the head of the Quds, or Jersualem, Force of Iran's paramilitary Revolutionary Guard, Soleimani led all of its expeditionary forces. Quds Force members have deployed into Syria's long war to support President Bashar Assad, as well as into Iraq in the wake of the 2003 U.S. invasion that toppled dictator Saddam Hussein, a longtime foe of Tehran.

Soleimani rose to prominence by advising forces fighting the Islamic State group in Iraq and in Syria on behalf of the embattled Assad.

U.S. officials say the Guard under Soleimani taught Iraqi militants how to manufacture and use especially deadly roadside bombs against U.S. troops after the invasion of Iraq. Iran has denied that. Soleimani himself remains popular among many Iranians, who see him as a selfless hero fighting Iran's enemies abroad.

Soleimani had been rumored dead several times, including in a 2006 airplane crash that killed other military officials in northwestern Iran and following a 2012 bombing in Damascus that killed top aides of Assad. Rumors circulated in November 2015 that Soleimani was killed or seriously wounded leading forces loyal to Assad as they fought around Syria's Aleppo.

Earlier Friday, an official with the Popular Mobilization Forces said seven people were killed by a missile fired at Baghdad International Airport, blaming the United States.

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**Midday Daily 3**
3-8-5
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0-5-1
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3-9-7-6
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03-07-11-16-17-25-26-28-32-37-39-41-48-50-52-54-60-61-62-63-67-73
**Mega Millions jackpot**
$60 million
**Powerball jackpot**
$237 million

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# As Jewish enclaves spring up around NYC, so does intolerance

By MARY ESCH and RYAN TARINELLI
Associated Press

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**Jewish girls walk to a bus in the Crown Heights neighborhood of New York, for the trip to Monsey, N.Y. on Dec. 30.**

MONSEY, N.Y. — For years, ultra-Orthodox Jewish families priced out of increasingly expensive Brooklyn neighborhoods have been turning to the suburbs, where they have taken advantage of open space and cheaper housing to establish modern-day versions of the European shtetls where their ancestors lived for centuries before the Holocaust.

The expansion of Hasidic communities in New York's Hudson Valley, the Catskills and northern New Jersey has led to predictable sparring over new housing development and local political control. It has also led to flare-ups of rhetoric that some say is cloaked anti-Semitism.

Now, a pair of violent attacks on such communities, just weeks apart, worry many that intolerance is boiling over.

On Dec. 10, a man and woman killed a police officer and then stormed into a kosher grocery in Jersey City, fatally shooting three people inside before dying in an hourslong gunfight with police. The slayings happened in a neighborhood where Hasidic families had recently been relocating.

And on Saturday, a man rushed into a rabbi's home in Monsey, New York, during a Hanukkah celebration, hacking at people with a machete. Five people were wounded, including one who remains hospitalized. Federal prosecutors said the man charged in the attack, Grafton Thomas, had written journals containing anti-Semitic comments and a swastika and had researched Hitler's hatred of Jews online.

At a meeting Monday hosted by U.S. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand in Rockland County, where Monsey is, some Jewish leaders blamed inflammatory rhetoric on social media and from local elected officials as contributing to an atmosphere ripe for anti-Semitic violence.

Days after the killings in Jersey City, a local school board member there, Joan Terrell-Paige, assailed Jews as "brutes" on Facebook, saying she believed the killers were trying to send a message with the slaughter. "Are we brave enough to explore the answer to their message?" she asked.

A widely condemned political ad last summer created by a local Republican group claimed that an Orthodox Jewish county legislator was "plotting a takeover" that threatens "our way of life."

Whether any of that heated rhetoric was a factor in the recent violence is unclear, but the legislator targeted in the video ad said that kind of hostile language has repercussions.

"In the last few years in Rockland County I have seen a rise in hate rhetoric, and I was able to foresee it would end in violence," said county legislator Aron Wieder. "You have seen on social media where the Orthodox community has been called a cancer, leeches, people who don't pay taxes. It has become normal and accepted to say derogatory and hateful things about Jewish people."

Swastikas have been scrawled around the county, and frightened parents are asking law enforcement for more visible security at synagogues and schools, Wieder said.

Bigoted messages have gone unchecked for years, said Rabbi Yisroel Kahan, administrative director of the Oizrim Jewish Council. He pointed to hateful comments on social media and false online rumors that have spilled over into everyday life.

"It has been tolerated for far too long," he said.

Hasidic families began migrating from New York City to suburban communities in the 1970s, hoping to create the sort of cohesive community some recalled from Europe.

# The Hartford to limit insurance for fossil fuel companies

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — A major insurer is limiting its coverage of companies in the fossil fuel business, citing concerns about climate change.

The Hartford Financial Services Group Inc. won't cover companies that get more than a quarter of their revenue from thermal coal mining or that produce more than a quarter of their energy from coal.

The company also said it will not write policies or make investments in companies that generate more than 25 percent of their revenue directly from extracting oil from tar sands. It won't cover or invest in the construction and operation of new coal-fired plants.

The company said it plans to phase out policies or investments that currently violate those parameters by 2023.

The Hartford posted around $19 billion in revenue in 2018. The company joins 18 global insurers in limiting or dropping coverage of energy companies that tend to rely on fossil fuels, but the Rainforest Action Network said The Hartford is the "first mainstream U.S. insurer" to restrict coverage for tar sands oil and coal.

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# LMC to host FIRST Robotics event

By HP STAFF

BENTON TOWNSHIP — The 2020 FIRST Robotics Competition season will launch Saturday with a kickoff event presented by Lake Michigan College and Sunset Coast Robotics Alliance.

Teams from around the world will gather online at more than 140 kickoff locations as the 2020 FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics challenge is revealed during a live televised broadcast from FIRST Headquarters.

At Lake Michigan College, 23 high school robotics teams from Berrien, Cass, Van Buren, Allegan, Kent and St. Joseph counties will gather, with more than 350 students and mentors expected to attend. Attendees should use the third driveway on Yore Avenue, coming from Napier Avenue, to enter the Mendel Center Grand Upton Hall.

The agenda for the day is as follows:

■ 8:30 a.m.: Teams check in and the public is welcomed.

■ 8:45 a.m.: Meet and greet with teams and business professionals; RFC Bingo – Team Ramageddon (4855); past robot component and team projects will be displayed; Facebook live "Robotics Roundtable" with a News Talk 94.9 WSJM personality.

■ 9 a.m.: Welcome by Tim Dunaj, judge advisor, kickoff program planner and master of ceremonies; Sunset Coast Robotics Alliance; recap 2019 activities and plan for 2020 activities; Robotics Roundtable 2020 and team sign-up; guest speaker (to be determined).

■ 9:20 a.m.: Introduction of honored guest panel for question and answer session; questions from students; questions from pre-event submissions.

■ 10:30 a.m.: Live global feed from FIRST Headquarters; Reveal of 2020 Game "Infinite Recharge;" kit of parts distribution; break.

■ 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Grand Upton Hall remains open for teams to work.

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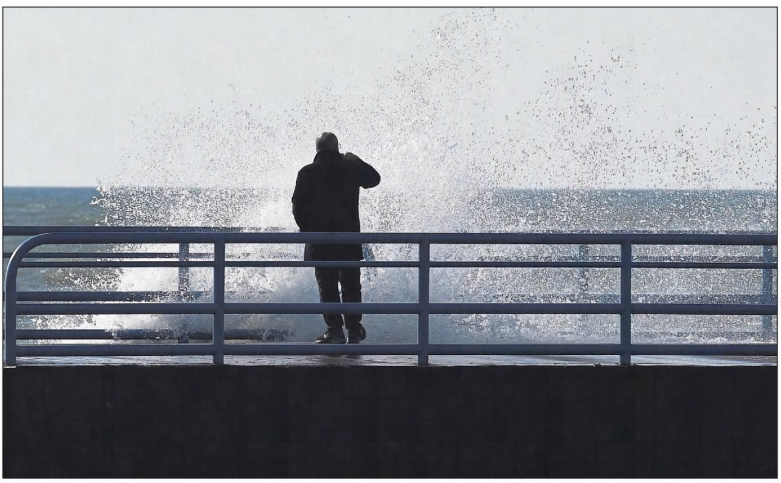
**Teams collect their kits during the 2017 FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) robotics challenge kickoff held at Lake Michigan College's Mendel Center.**

## Wind and water



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**A man photographs waves crashing along the base of the South Pier in St. Joseph Thursday afternoon.**

# Good Fellow Fund finishes with a flourish

By HP STAFF

The Good Fellow drive ended 2019 with a bang, thanks to a sizable donation from a local philanthropic organization.

The Herald-Palladium's annual fund-raising effort received a huge boost this week with a $6,000 donation from the Schalon Foundation, sending this year's total over $41,000.

The amount went well beyond the goal of raising $35,000.

Herald-Palladium Publisher David Holgate expressed his appreciation.

"I am deeply moved by the outpouring of generosity that created this near record drive. This area never ceases to amaze with their commitment to assisting those in need," Holgate said.

The Good Fellow Fund traces back to the fund's inception in 1920, with area newspaper Christmastime philanthropy first introduced in 1909 by The News Palladium in Benton Harbor.

The Herald-Palladium covers all overhead, with the money used for Meijer gift cards.

The Department of Health and Human Services identifies needy families and individuals to assist during the holidays. Typically the fund aids around 800 people.

# MUD Club spends New Year's Eve in a dive

By HP STAFF

NILES — Members of the Michigan Underwater Divers Club (MUD) celebrated the start of 2020 with their annual dive into ice-cold water.

An hour before midnight Dec. 31 divers began preparing to enter the St. Joseph River off Riverview Park in Niles, according to a news release.

"With only a little shore ice, no wind and an air temperature of 28 degrees, it was almost balmy," one club member noted. Divers had a bit of a challenge, however, with the river running fast and the visibility like "pea soup."

Shore support for the participants was provided by Mary Beth Thar and Jake Thar, both of Niles; and Mark Urwin of Mishawaka.

There were four divers in the water, including Kevin Ailes of Bangor, Amy Schuring of Bangor, Don McAlhany of St. Joseph and Sir Larry Steelman of Niles.

"It was fun, as usual," McAlhany said in the release.

He said anyone who is interested in sport diving is invited to attend the monthly MUD meeting held at Andrews University, Price Hall, at 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month.

For additional club information check out the Mud club website at www.facebook.com/groups/1603738187897.

Photo provided / Mary Beth Thar

**Sir Larry Steelman, top left, of Niles and Kevin Ailes of Bangor ring in the new year Tuesday night with a dive into the murky waters of the St. Joseph River near Niles.**

## Berrien County Trial Court

### Sentences

### St. Joseph

#### Assault

Adrian C. Guidry, 51, of Urbandale Avenue, Benton Harbor, 1-4 years in prison and $198 in costs for assault with a dangerous weapon, an assault on Donald Bethea with a hammer, Nov. 1, 2019 in Benton Harbor.

Shawn Nevith, 48, of Colfax Avenue, Benton Harbor, 18 months to 5 years in prison, credit for 47 days served, and $198 in costs for domestic violence, third offense, an assault on a woman, Oct. 20, 2019, in Benton Township.

Charles E. Walker, 51, of Cedar Street, Benton Harbor, 30-100 months in prison and $198 in costs for assault of a prison employee June 17, 2019, at the Berrien County jail in St. Joseph. Walker was sentenced as a four-time habitual offender.

Jalil K. Branch, 19, of North Stevens Street, Benton Harbor, 210 days in jail, credit for 138 days served, and $198 in costs for attempted assault with intent to do great bodily harm or strangulation, an assault on a woman, April 9, 2019, in Benton Harbor.

Lee B. Sharrer, 37, no permanent address, 16 months to 5 years in prison, credit for 99 days served, and $198 in costs for domestic violence third offense, an assault on a woman, Sept. 15, 2019, in Niles.

Devin Q. Perry, 25, of Quince Street, Benton Harbor, 210 days in jail, credit for 79 days served, $2,118 in fines and costs, $650 in restitution, 120 days on tether and 3 years probation for domestic violence, third offense, an assault on a woman, July 9, 2019, in Benton Township.

#### Fleeing/resisting police

James C. Ray III, 39, of Lake Street, Benton Harbor, 180 days in jail, credit for 64 days served, $438 in costs, $71 in restitution and 2 years probation for assaulting/resisting and obstructing Benton Harbor Public Safety Officer Drew Wagner Sept. 20, 2019, in Benton Harbor.

#### Child support

Daniel Harry-Patrick Donat, 43, of Fifth Street, Baroda, 16 days in jail, credit for 16 days served, $1,558 in fines and costs, $11,538 in restitution and 5 years probation for attempted failure to pay child support from Jan. 1, 2018, to Jan. 17, 2018, in St. Joseph.

#### Uttering/publishing

Ross J. Koenig, 24, of Michigan Street, Benton Harbor, 2 days in jail, credit for 2 days served, $1,138 in fines and costs and 18 months probation for attempted uttering and publishing a false, forged, altered or counterfeit record, a cashier's check, Sept. 17, 2019, in Benton Township; and a concurrent term of 2 days and $198 in costs for attempted failure to register as a sex offender Aug. 26, 2019, in Benton Harbor.

#### Drunken driving

Dewayne N. Hicks Jr., 64, of East Britain Avenue, Benton Harbor, 90 days in jail, credit for 19 days served, and $125 in costs for operating while intoxicated, second offense, June 13, 2019, in Benton Harbor; and a concurrent term of 19 days for operating while license suspended, second offense, June 13, 2019 in Benton Harbor. Sentence may be served at a VA Hospital or Rehabilitation Center; and defendant was ordered to have 12 months of mandatory rehabilitation.

#### Larceny/home invasion

Sydney Secura-Ann O'Connor, 26, of Pheasant Run, Baroda, 4-15 years in prison, credit for 129 days served, and $198 in costs for second-degree home invasion at a dwelling in Harbert between July 28 and Aug. 4, 2019; a concurrent term of 23 months to 10 years, $198 in costs and $11,500 in restitution for breaking and entering a building with intent, a barn in Three Oaks, between Aug. 7 and Aug. 8; a concurrent term of 23 months to 5 years and $68 in costs for larceny of a firearm between Aug. 7 and Aug. 8, 2019; and a concurrent term of 4-15 years, $198 in costs and $9,639 in restitution for second-degree home invasion between Aug. 20 and Aug. 23, 2019, in Chikaming Township.

Ryan A. Finley, 34, of Grand Junction, 30-90 months in prison, credit for 228 days served, and $198 in costs for unlawfully driving away a motor vehicle May 10, 2019, in Coloma Township. Finley was sentenced as a two-time habitual offender.

Nicholas Will-Nathaniel Branscumb, 29, of Buena Vista Road, Benton Harbor, 138 days in jail, credit for 138 days served, for larceny of items valued between $200 and $1,000 March 25, 2014, at a house in Benton Township.

#### Drugs

Jason W. Strampel, 42, of Breedsville, 23 months to 20 years in prison, $198 in costs and $500 in restitution for possession of a controlled substance, methamphetamine, 2nd offense; two consecutive terms of 72-228 months for two counts of operating while intoxicated causing serious injury; and four concurrent terms of 1 year, credit for 220 days served, for four counts of operating while intoxicated with an occupant under age 16 May 25, 2019, in Watervliet Township. Strampel was sentenced as a four-time habitual offender.

### Niles

#### Assault

Dustin L. Smith, 33, of Hickory Street, Niles, 150 days in jail, credit for 4 days served, $958 in fines and costs, 90 days on tether and 30 months probation for domestic violence third offense, an assault on a woman, June 22, 2019, in Niles.

# In brief

## 1 arrested on meth-related charge

BENTON HARBOR — Police have arrested one man and are seeking charges against more people following searches at a house in Benton Harbor and a house in Benton Township on Dec. 26 and Tuesday.

According to a news release from the Southwest Enforcement Team West Office, Brandon Lee Brown, 24, was taken to jail on a charge of possession with intent to deliver crystal methamphetamine, second offense.

His arrest came when police executed a search warrant in the city of Benton Harbor.

At a house in Benton Township, police said they found distribution amounts of crack cocaine, a handgun that had been reported stolen and about five pounds of marijuana. The homeowner was not home during the search, and police are seeking charges.

The SWET team, comprised of officers from several police agencies, was assisted by the Berrien County Sheriff's Office and its K9 unit.

## Soo school break extended as area deals with power outages

SAULT STE. MARIE (AP) — The holiday break has been extended for students in an Upper Peninsula school district, which canceled classes but opened a high school to area residents to charge their phones – and recharge themselves – during a multiday power outage.

The Sault Ste. Marie district covers 308 square miles, including two islands, in the eastern Upper Peninsula.

Power has been restored to the schools, but many homes remain in the dark since rain, ice and snow brought down hundreds of trees as well as electricity lines earlier this week.

The holiday break was scheduled to end Thursday. Instead, there are no classes Thursday or Friday. The high school is open for warmth, showers and lunch.

## Brass upset over Detroit firefighters' burning home photo

DETROIT (AP) — A photo posted on social media showing 18 Detroit firefighters posing in front of a home engulfed in flames was "inappropriate and unprofessional" and will result in disciplinary action, the city's fire commissioner said.

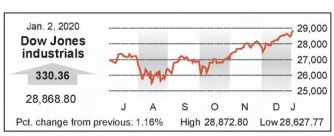
The photo was posted Tuesday just before midnight on the Facebook page "Detroit Fire Incidents Page." It included a caption: "Crews take a moment to get a selfie on New Years!" It has since been taken down.

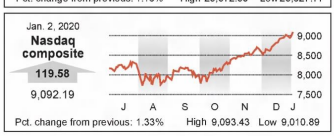
Firefighters were celebrating a retiring fire battalion chief, Deputy Fire Commissioner Dave Fornell said.

"There are a lot of ways to celebrate a retirement," Fire Commissioner Eric Jones said in a statement. "Taking a photo in front of a building fire is not one of them."

Jones added, "Behind every fire is a devastated family or property owner."

# Markets

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# Home falls down sandy bluff along Lake Michigan shoreline

WHITE RIVER TOWNSHIP (AP) — A small home along the Lake Michigan shoreline in Michigan fell down a sandy bluff in an area plagued by erosion.

Muskegon County officials had been monitoring the condition of the White River Township home that toppled over about 11 p.m. Tuesday, according to WOOD-TV.

Neighbor Bob Lloyd also was checking on the home that he said has been unsafe for a while.

"It was raised off the back of the foundation 3 inches and I knew it was imminent it was going over," Lloyd told WZZM-TV. "I heard this sound ... and I looked and could just see the house going."

The home's owner was at another property when it fell. She wanted neighbors to pitch in for the cost of a shoreline rock wall to slow erosion but ran out of time, according to WZZM-TV.

White River Township is about 50 miles northwest of Grand Rapids.

Rising Great Lakes levels and storms over Lakes Michigan, Huron and Superior have caused beach erosion, flooding and damage to seawalls and roads.

An October storm battered the Lake Michigan shoreline near Spring Lake, Michigan, and swept away up to 20 feet of dunes in some communities.

Michigan environmental regulators said in October they would expedite permits for homeowners seeking to place rocks or build seawalls to prevent erosion.

The National Park Service has said it will work with Beverly Shores in northwestern Indiana to install sand traps along the Lake Michigan shoreline to combat beach erosion at the Indiana Dunes National Park.

# Crews search Lake Michigan for teen swept from pier by wave

HOLLAND (AP) — A 16-year-old girl visiting Lake Michigan for the first time was missing and presumed drowned after apparently being swept into the water by a large wave, authorities said.

Eliza Trainer, of Flint, and an 18-year-old friend were knocked into the lake off Holland State Park about 11:30 p.m. Wednesday, according to the Ottawa County sheriff's office. High waves hampered search efforts on Thursday.

Trainer's friend was able to get out of the water and he summoned help. Waves at the time were estimated at about 12 feet high, the sheriff's office said. Sgt. Jay Douglas said the pair were at the pier "to see Lake Michigan."

"They hadn't seen Lake Michigan before," Douglas told reporters, adding caution about the lake when the weather is bad. "Lake Michigan isn't a joke. It's dangerous. These conditions are not conducive to being out on the pier."

Crews from the sheriff's office, the Park Township and Holland fire departments and the U.S. Coast Guard were among those involved in the search that started Wednesday night.

"At present, the conditions are too severe to do a search from the water," the sheriff's office said early Thursday afternoon in a release.

"However, the conditions are constantly monitored and when conditions do allow a search will be made from the water."

Aerial searches in what's described now as a recovery effort were being conducted Thursday. Drones also may be used.

The 18-year-old was taken to a hospital and later released.

# U-Haul International to stop hiring smokers in 21 states

PHOENIX (AP) — U-Haul International has announced plans to stop interviewing and hiring nicotine users, including people who use e-cigarettes and vaping products.

The well-known truck and trailer rental company approved the nicotine-free policy set to go into effect Feb. 1 in more than 20 states where the company operates, the Arizona Republic reported Wednesday.

Those states include Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia and Washington.

People hired before the policy goes into effect won't be affected, company officials said.

U-Haul International employs around 4,000 people in Arizona, where the company is based, and 30,000 across the U.S. and Canada, officials said.

In each of the 21 states, it is legal not to hire people who use nicotine, company officials said. Employers in 17 states are also legally allowed to test for nicotine, officials said.

U-Haul International has not indicted if it would conduct tests, officials said.

The company expects the nicotine-free hiring policy would help create a more healthy corporate culture, officials said. The new policy will focus on the health of team members and employees, while also decreasing healthcare costs, company officials said.

Company executives encourage employees not to use nicotine by waiving a required wellness fee, officials said. The company doesn't require tobacco users to pay a health care insurance premium, the Republic reported.

The company said it has made strides to encourage health and wellness including breaking ground on a new conference and fitness center in Arizona and implementing various employee fitness and wellness programs.

Some hospitals and other health businesses have implemented no-nicotine hiring policies, company officials said.

Alaska Airlines has had the policy since 1985 to address health-care costs and health consequences, officials said. In addition, the airline has expressed the difficulty of smoking on planes and in places surrounding airports, officials said.

Charlie Neibergall / AP

**U-Haul trucks sit on a dealer lot in Des Moines, Iowa in 2006. U-Haul has a New Year's resolution: cut down on hiring people who smoke. The moving company said that it won't hire nicotine users in the 21 states where it is legal to do so, saying that it wants to ensure a "healthier workforce." The new policy will start Feb. 1, 2020, and won't apply to those hired before the.**

# MSU credit union reports suspicious actions for some

EAST LANSING (AP) — Michigan State University Federal Credit Union is warning its members that suspicious activity has been detected on some of their accounts.

The credit union said in statement posted Wednesday on Facebook that it's working with card processors to block the suspicious transactions before they're attempted, the Lansing State Journal reported.

Members whose accounts have seen actions which aren't normal for their account will receive an alert by phone, email or text. The credit union said members who don't recognize a transaction should respond "no" when asked if they had authorized it.

Anyone whose account experiences a fraudulent transaction will not be liable for that charge.

# ROBOTICS

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FIRST is an international nonprofit K-12 organization that designs programs to encourage young people to pursue their interests in science, technology, engineering and mathematics through education and career opportunities.

The FIRST Robotics Competition is a "sport for the mind," according to Dunaj. It provides opportunities for students to work alongside professional engineers, technologists, and other business professionals. Through their participation, students can qualify to share in more than $80 million in college scholarships.

As the existing workforce ages out, companies are looking to hire young talent and, students who have been a part of FIRST Robotics teams have learned to work together, meet deadlines, think outside the box and work hard, and are the exact types of candidates businesses are looking to hire, Dunaj said.

Learn more at www.firstinspires.org/robotics/frc.

# PRODUCE PRICES

**The following fruit prices were recorded on the Chicago Terminal Market on Tuesday. Prices are not net to the growers as freight and selling fees have not been deducted. These prices were provided by the USDA Market News Branch office in Chicago.**

**APPLES:** Cartons tray pack of Washington Extra Fancy 72s Red Delicious sold from $25-28, Golden Delicious sold for $36, Fuji sold for $33, Pink Lady brought $38-40, Gala sold for mostly $31-32, and 56 size Honeycrisp of fine appearance sold for $52 while 64 size brought $30. Cartons of 12 3-pound film bags of Washington WA Extra Fancy 2 1/2-inch minimum Red Delicious sold for $22, while Golden Delicious brought $23, Gala sold for $23-24, while bushel cartons loose of Michigan 3 inch minimum Golden Delicious, Gala and Jonagold brought $20.

**ASPARAGUS:** Pyramid cartons/crates 11-pound bunched standard size from Peru sold higher for $36-37.50, while large white bunched sold from $23-25.

**BEANS:** Bushel cartons/crates of round green type machine-picked offerings from Florida sold lower from $24-25, with hand-picked offerings lower for $26-28.

**BERRIES:** Flats of 12 6-ounce cups with lids of medium-large berries of fine appearance from Mexico sold for mostly $15-16, while offerings from Peru sold for $10. Strawberries in flats of eight 1-pound containers medium size from California and Florida of fine appearance sold for $24.

**BROCCOLI:** Cartons of 14 bunches from California sold higher from $18-19, with organic offerings steady for $18.50.

**CABBAGE:** 50-pound cartons of round green medium from Texas sold higher for mostly $16-17, while red offerings higher for $28.

**CAULIFLOWER:** Cartons of 12 film wrapped heads from California sold higher for mostly $16-18, with organic offerings higher for $24.50.

**CORN:** Wirebound crates of four dozen bi-color from Florida sold for mostly $39-40.

**CUCUMBERS:** 1-1/9-bushel cartons from Mexico of medium size sold lower for mostly $31-32, with large $33-35, fair quality brought $28, and carton 24s sold from $12-14. Pickles of 200-300 size from Mexico sold for mostly $28-29.

**EGGPLANT:** 1-1/9-bushel cartons of 24-count eggs from Mexico sold for mostly $15-17.

**LETTUCE:** Cartons film wrapped 24 heads of iceberg lettuce from California sold higher from $22-24, while organic offerings brought $30.50.

**ORANGES:** Cartons of 10 4-pound film bags of Florida 80 size Hamlin juice oranges sold for $23.50.

**PEPPERS:** 1-1/9-bushel cartons of Georgia green jumbos sold from $16-18 and extra-large sold from $15-16, and choppers sold for mostly $11-12. Medium size jalapeno peppers from Mexico sold from $18-20, serranos sold for mostly $26-27, while poblano sold from mostly $16-17 and medium Hungarian wax sold for $22-23.

**SQUASH:** 1/2-bushel cartons of small-medium and medium zucchini and yellow straightneck from Florida sold for $10. 1 1/9-bushel cartons from Michigan of medium size spaghetti sold for mostly $13-14.

**TOMATOES:** 25-pound cartons loose mature greens 5x6s from Florida sold higher for $44-45, and cartons two-layer 4x5s vine ripes from Mexico sold for $49. Flats 12 1-pint containers with lids of light red-red medium size grape tomatoes from Mexico sold slightly higher from $20-22 and cartons of 12 1-pint baskets of cherry type red sold for $24-25. Plum tomatoes packed in 25-pound cartons loose of extra-large size from Mexico sold slightly lower from $34-36, with large size $34.

# hp HEALTH

**Have news for 'Health'?**

Do you have health or wellness news that you think would make a good feature story? Send it to Features Editor Andy Steinke at The Herald-Palladium, P.O. Box 128, St. Joseph, MI 49085; deliver it to 3450 Hollywood Road, St. Joseph; or email it focus@TheHP.com.

# China convicts 3 researchers involved in gene-edited babies

By KEN MORITSUGU
Associated Press

BEIJING — A Chinese scientist who set off an ethical debate with claims that he had made the world's first genetically edited babies was sentenced this week to three years in prison because of his research, according to state media.

He Jiankui, who was convicted of practicing medicine without a license, was also fined $430,000 by a court in the southern city of Shenzhen, China's official Xinhua News Agency reported. Two other researchers involved in the project received lesser sentences and fines.

The verdict said the three defendants had not obtained qualifications as doctors, pursued fame and profits, deliberately violated Chinese regulations on scientific research, and crossed an ethical line in both scientific research and medicine, according to Xinhua. It also said they had fabricated ethical review documents.

The court also confirmed a third birth, saying the researchers were involved in the births of three gene-edited babies to two women. It said all three scientists pleaded guilty during the trial, which Xinhua reported was closed to the public because of privacy concerns.

He, the lead researcher, shocked the scientific world when he announced in November 2018 that he had altered the embryos of twin girls who had been born the same month. He described his work in interviews with The Associated Press.

The announcement sparked a global debate over the ethics of gene editing. He said he had used a tool called CRISPR to try to disable a gene that allows the AIDS virus to enter a cell, in a bid to give the girls the ability to resist the infection. The identity of the children has not been released, and it isn't clear if the experiment succeeded.

The CRISPR tool has been tested elsewhere in adults to treat diseases, but many in the scientific community denounced He's work as medically unnecessary and unethical, because any genetic changes could be passed down to future generations. The U.S. forbids editing embryos except for lab research.

He, who is known as "JK," told The AP in 2018 that he felt a strong responsibility to make an example, and that society would decide whether to allow the practice to go forward.

He disappeared from public view shortly after he announced his research at a conference in Hong Kong 13 months ago, apparently detained by authorities, initially in an apartment in Shenzhen, a city in Guangdong province that borders Hong Kong.

It wasn't clear if the three-year prison term includes any of the time he has already spent in Chinese custody.

A Chinese scientist said the sentence should have been harsher to deter others. Kehkooi Kee, a Tsinghua University researcher who conducts gene-editing research on stem cells, also said He should be held responsible for any fallout from the experiment on the lives of the babies and their families.

Dr. William Hurlbut, a Stanford University bioethicist whose advice He sought for more than a year before his experiment, said he felt sorry for the scientist, his wife and two young daughters.

"I warned him things could end this way, but it was just too late," Hurlbut wrote in an email to The AP; the director of the U.S. National Institutes of Health, Dr. Francis Collins; and gene-editing pioneer Jennifer Doudna at the University of California, Berkeley.

"Sad story – everyone lost in this (JK, his family, his colleagues and his country), but the one gain is that the world is awakened to the seriousness of our advancing genetic technologies," Hurlbut wrote.

Dr. Eric Topol, who heads the Scripps Research Translational Institute in California, noted it's almost unheard of for a scientist to get imprisoned "but in this case the sheer recklessness and unethical behavior warranted it."

Topol praised China for standing up "for proper medical research conduct."

Before setting up a lab at the Southern University of Science and Technology of China in Shenzhen, He studied in the U.S. The verdict accused him of colluding with Zhang Renli and Qin Jinzhou, who worked at medical institutes in the same province.

Zhang was sentenced to two years in prison and fined nearly $144,000, Xinhua said. Qin received an 18-month prison sentence, but with a two-year reprieve, and a nearly $72,000 fine.

Mark Schiefelbein / AP file photos

**Chinese scientist He Jiankui speaks during an interview in October 2018 at his laboratory in China. The researcher has been sentenced to three years imprisonment for practicing medicine illegally. He was also fined $430,000.**

**Chinese scientist Qin Jinzhou works with embryos in a laboratory in China in October 2018. Three researchers involved in the births of genetically edited babies have been convicted and sentenced for practicing medicine illegally. Qin received an 18-month sentence, but with a two-year reprieve, and a $72,000 fine.**

**An embryologist who was part of the team working with scientist He Jiankui adjusts a microplate containing embryos at a lab in China in 2018.**

## In brief

### Dr. Tynes appointed to Mich. Board of Medicine

TYNES

BENTON HARBOR — Dr. Donald Tynes of Benton Harbor was one of seven people recently appointed to the Michigan Board of Medicine by Gov. Gretchen Whitmer.

He is the chief medical officer for Benton Harbor Health Center and pastor of Keep It Real Ministries. He earned his Doctor of Medicine from Wayne State University.

His term started Wednesday and runs through Dec. 31, 2023.

The Board of Medicine works with the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs to oversee the practice of medical doctors in Michigan.

Underlying all of the board's duties is the responsibility to promote and protect the public's health, safety and welfare. This responsibility is implemented by ascertaining minimal entry level competency of medical doctors and requiring continuing medical education during licensure.

### Heart failure class is Tuesday in St. Joseph

ST. JOSEPH — Spectrum Health Lakeland will offer "Living Well with Heart Failure," a free class about congestive heart failure, from 1-2 p.m. Tuesday in the pharmacy conference room at the Center for Outpatient Services, 3900 Hollywood Road.

Participants will learn to identify common causes and symptoms of heart failure, as well as new daily routines that can improve quality of life.

Registration is required by calling 556-2808.

### Good Grief programs starting next week

Sessions of "Good Grief," a free bereavement sharing and education program, are starting up next week around Southwest Michigan.

The program covers topics such as how to cope with loss, guilt and regret; why you feel the way you do; and finding a sense of peace.

Upcoming sessions are:

■ 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 7-Feb. 18, Caring Circle, 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph.

■ 3:30-5 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 9-Feb. 20, Caring Circle, 4017 Chamberlain Road, Buchanan.

■ 2:30-4 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10-Feb. 21, Caring Circle, 05055 Blue Star Highway, South Haven.

For more information, or to find out about other ongoing bereavement programs, call Caring Circle at 429-7100.

### Free diabetes class set for Thursday in St. Joseph

ST. JOSEPH — Spectrum Health Lakeland will offer a free program designed to help anyone with higher-than-normal blood sugar levels learn about lifestyle changes that may help them avoid or delay the onset of diabetes.

The class will be from 1-3 p.m. Thursday in the pharmacy conference room at the Center for Outpatient Services, 3900 Hollywood Road.

During the first hour, a registered nurse will guide attendees through the disease process of diabetes and introduce healthy lifestyle changes. In the second hour, a registered dietitian will suggest meal selections that can help attendees maintain health and manage weight.

This program does not require a physician referral. Registration, however, is required as class size is limited.

For more information, or to register, call 556-2868.

### VIPs meeting Thursday

SOUTH HAVEN — The South Haven Area Visually Impaired Persons Support Group will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Robert Warren Center, 540 Williams St.

For more info, contact facilitator Ray Llorens at 637-1418.

## Blood drives

### American Red Cross

■ Noon-5:45 p.m. today, Grace Lutheran Church, 404 E. Glenlord Road, St. Joseph.

■ Noon-5:45 p.m. Tuesday, Simpson United Methodist Church, 507 Joy St., Bangor.

### Versiti Blood Center of Michigan

■ 11 a.m.-4 p.m. today, Ascension-Borgess Lee Hospital, oncology room, 420 W. High St., Dowagiac.

■ 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.

■ 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.

■ Noon-7 p.m. Wednesday, Versiti Blood Center of Michigan, 2710 Cleveland Ave., St. Joseph.

■ 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi offices, multipurpose room, 58620 Sink Road, Dowagiac.

■ 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Jan. 10, Cassopolis High School, library, 22721 Diamond Cove Road, Cassopolis.

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Mayo Clinic Q&A

## For most, plain water is the best way to stay hydrated

Dreamstime / TNS

**Q** I've heard that alkaline water is better at rehydrating your body than nonalkaline, or plain, water. Is this true?

**A** In short, for most people, plain water is better. But first, it's important to understand the definition of alkaline water.

Scientists use pH to describe how acidic or basic a substance is, with a range from 0 to 14. Pure water has a pH of 7, meaning it's neutral. Fluids with a pH of less than 7, such as coffee and soda, are acidic. Substances with a pH of more than 7, such as baking soda, are basic, or alkaline.

Alkaline waters have a pH around 8 or 9. Some vendors use water that has a naturally higher pH, while others say that they create alkaline water through an ionization process.

Alkaline water companies make a host of claims, saying it's better at rehydrating the body, and that it will detoxify and "balance" your body, help you lose weight, and prevent or even treat cancer.

However, there's little credible research showing that alkaline water benefits your health in any important way.

In general, be wary of promoted research on alkaline water, as some of these studies are small or funded by alkaline water companies.

Some studies also suggest that alkaline water might help slow bone loss, but further investigation is needed to determine if this influences overall bone mineral density and if the benefit is maintained over the long term.

Often, claims about the benefits of alkaline water rest on the argument that modern diets make our bloodstreams and bodies too acidic. This is misleading.

Regardless of what you eat or drink, your body is good at regulating your blood pH through organs such as your lungs and kidneys.

It's possible to have excess acid in your body fluids – what is known as acidosis – but this is generally caused by a serious condition such as a chronic disease involving the lungs or kidneys.

Many people don't drink enough water, and they may feel better after increasing hydration through alkaline water. However, it's probably not the alkaline nature of the water that's of benefit; it's the water.

You can save money and hydrate your body perfectly fine simply by drinking plain water.

*– Katherine Zeratsky, R.D.N., endocrinology/nutrition, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.*

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# Our political debate doesn't have to be this stupid

E.J. Dionne

There is much to mourn about the state of our politics and no point in putting a happy spin on things just because we're supposed to be optimistic for the new year.

OK, we can celebrate the fact that the election of 2020 offers our citizens a chance to stand up against a dismal and dangerous government and the degradation of our public life. We still have our voices, our votes and the freedom to mobilize for something better.

My purpose, however, is not to offer a polemic against President Trump (we'll have plenty of time for that). It's to suggest that what should bother us about the last three years is something we don't discuss enough: the lost opportunity to grapple with ongoing problems that predated Trump's rise and helped fuel his ascent. Of course, we would still argue. But we would argue with a purpose and the expectation of getting somewhere.

I am not starry-eyed about bipartisanship and its supposed joys. On the contrary, the current Republican Party's abject fealty to Trump and its shift far to the right of where it once was mean that promises of a glorious bipartisan future will, for some time, be false. I have little faith in Republican politicians, including many I once thought were serious about governing.

But we cannot give up on the possibility that stirring the embers of conversations taking place beneath the surface of politics might, eventually, lead us toward debates that transcend our current obsession with one man and his domination of our public life. A new dialogue would focus on our shared intuitions about what's going wrong in our country that should be put right.

Progressives should notice that some conservatives seem ready for new departures from the old Reagan economic consensus. As I'll be arguing in my forthcoming book, when one side of politics begins talking the other side's talk, it's a sign that its old ideas have run out of steam.

Thus has Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., offered some tough critiques of contemporary capitalism, including its emphasis on short-term returns to investors and the ways in which it "undervalues American workers' contribution to production." Rubio, to state the obvious, is no socialist, but he and conservative thinkers such as Ross Douthat and Reihan Salam have begun to confront the high costs of inequality and the ways in which wage earners have been shortchanged.

Yuval Levin, editor of the conservative journal National Affairs, invoked his camp's traditional preoccupations while acknowledging the "real tensions between the needs of families, communities, religion and civil society and the demands of the market economy."

Levin insisted in a recent issue "these tensions can be mitigated." This is true – and exactly what progressives propose to do with much stronger family-leave laws to enable parents to do their jobs. Liberals would also expand child care and pre-K programs. Our economic system depends upon the work of single mothers, and of both parents in two-earner households. It does little to accommodate their obligations toward dependent children.

This must change and it would require turning "family values" from a slogan weaponized against LGBTQ people into the real deal. We know how much the upbringing of kids matters to our country's future. It's also part of our shared moral sense. If conservatives don't like progressive efforts to do justice to the urgency of this work, let them offer their own ideas.

The breakdown of civil society and community institutions, particularly in our nation's most economically battered communities, is a crisis that should engage left, center and right alike. The conservative author Tim Carney has written eloquently about the problems of our fellow citizens who are "unattached, unconnected, dispossessed." Indifference to their struggles and to the depletion of social capital is not an option.

And there are stirrings on the right that it is long past time for its partisans to break with climate-change denialism. We should be arguing over what to do, not about whether something needs to be done. "I'm a conservative Republican. Climate change is real," read the headline on a Politico piece this fall by Rep. Francis Rooney, R-Fla., who has supported a carbon tax. Alas, Rooney is retiring. But others must step into the breach.

Yes, Trump's defeat and a radical renewal inside the Republican Party are the necessary preconditions for progress. But I refuse to see my wishes for a more reasonable politics and a better form of conservatism as fantasies. Let's become a nation of problem-solvers again.

*E.J. Dionne is a columnist for The Washington Post.*

# When anti-Semitism doesn't matter

Ben Shapiro

In October 2018, during Sabbath morning services, a white supremacist attacked the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, murdering 11 people and wounding another six. In April 2019, in the middle of Passover, a white supremacist attacked the Chabad of Poway synagogue, murdering one person and seriously wounding another three. Both incidents started absolutely necessary conversations about the prevalence and nature of the white supremacist threat to Jews across the country.

Four people were murdered at a kosher supermarket in Jersey City by self-described Black Hebrew Israelites just weeks ago; five people were stabbed at a Hanukkah celebration in Monsey, New York; this week alone, New York police are investigating at least nine anti-Semitic attacks. The upsurge of violence against Jews in New York in particular has finally prompted commentary from Democratic politicians ranging from New York Mayor Bill De Blasio, who just weeks ago expressed shock at anti-Semitism reaching "the doorstep of New York City"; to New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, who expressed puzzlement at the attacks, noting broadly: "This is an intolerant time in our country. We see anger; we see hatred exploding."

This isn't new. Back in 2018, The New York Times admitted there was a massive spike in anti-Semitic attacks in the city – and even acknowledged that the newspaper of record had failed to cover that surging anti-Semitism because "it refuses to conform to an easy narrative with a single ideological enemy." But that has always been true of anti-Semitism. It's possible, as The Times should recognize, to walk and chew gum at the same time in covering anti-Semitism.

But it's not mere lack of focus and time preventing the media from taking anti-Semitism in New York seriously. It's the identity of the attackers. Armin Rosen wrote for Tablet Magazine back in July 2019 about the Jew hatred in New York and correctly noted "that the victims are most often outwardly identifiable, i.e., religious rather than secularized Jews, and the perpetrators who have been recorded on CCTV cameras are overwhelmingly black and Hispanic." This throws the media – and many left-leaning Jewish organizations – into spasms of confusion, since it cuts directly against the supposed alliance of intersectionality so beloved by the political left. White supremacists attacking left-leaning Jews fits a desired narrative. Black teenagers beating up Hasidic Jews in Williamsburg doesn't.

And so the left ignores the *wrong* type of anti-Semitism.

The same media that will ask whether President Donald Trump's executive orders designed to protect Jews on campus are *ackshually* anti-Semitic will ignore the fact that former President Barack Obama sat in Jeremiah Wright's church for *20 years* – the same Jeremiah Wright who railed against Jews and Israel routinely during those years; who said Jews kept Obama from talking with him after the election; and who avers that "Jesus was a Palestinian." Democratic candidates who suggest that Trump has emboldened anti-Semites will make pilgrimage to Rev. Al Sharpton, who was instrumental in not one but *two* anti-Semitic riots. The same commentators who will police Republican references to George Soros for hints of anti-Semitism completely excuse open anti-Semitism when it comes from Reps. Rashida Tlaib and Ilhan Omar. It's deemed completely vital by our intelligentsia to survey white Americans for signs of white supremacy and, by extension, signs of anti-Semitism. Those same intelligentsia will patently ignore the fact that anti-Semitic attitudes among black Americans *far* outweigh similar attitudes among other racial groups, according to repeated polling by the Anti-Defamation League.

Anti-Semitism grows when the victims become secondary and the perpetrators become primary. If you're only concerned about anti-Semitism from white supremacists but utterly blithe about Jews being beaten in the streets of one of the nation's largest cities by suspects who clearly are not white supremacists, you're part of the problem. And that goes for those who govern New York, from De Blasio to Cuomo.

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## ANOTHER OPINION

### The unpredictable stock market

Regarding the movement of equity prices, we associate with the words of Alan "Ace" Greenberg, the head of Bear Stearns during the 1987 market crash: "Stocks fluctuate, next question." The good news in 2019 is that mostly they fluctuated up, which offers a lesson or two.

Stock prices fell Monday, no doubt in part as investors took profits before the end of the year. But what profits they probably are. With one day of trading left in 2019, the S&P 500 was up 29 percent for the year, the Nasdaq Composite had risen 35 percent, and even the dowdy Dow Jones Industrial Average climbed 22 percent. Apple and Microsoft, which drove much of the increase in the Nasdaq, each now have market capitalizations of more than $1.2 trillion.

Anyone who sold a year ago missed a major boost in net worth, yet at the time the investor mood was negative. Markets had declined in the fourth quarter of 2018 as the Federal Reserve tightened money and Donald Trump's trade war accelerated. Fears of recession were widespread.

One lesson is that no one knows how stocks will perform in any given year because so much can change. In 2019 the Fed quickly corrected its December 2018 mistake of raising interest rates. Inflation stayed under control. Mr. Trump decided that he wanted a trade truce with China, notwithstanding some harrowing fits and starts along the way. The momentum built by tax reform and deregulation helped the economy, and especially the job market, stay remarkably buoyant despite a trade-induced recession in manufacturing.

If you predicted all this, raise your hand. We didn't think so.

The same uncertainty applies to stocks in 2020, an election year that adds political volatility to the usual economic and policy variables.

Some poor folks probably even heeded the infamous Oct. 21, 2016 article in Politico that began: "Wall Street is set up for a major crash if Donald Trump shocks the world on Election Day and wins the White House."

The lesson here is that, as Warren Buffett likes to say, don't bet against the United States to succeed. America makes mistakes, voters sometimes hand power to misguided politicians, and the public sometimes succumbs to financial manias that turn into panics and crashes. But left to work, trade and invest without too much political interference, Americans unleash their energies in productive fashion. Stocks fluctuate, but over time they go up – often in years you least expect it.

*– The Wall Street Journal*

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# Predictions for 2020

Ann McFeatters

Anyone who says he or she knows what is going to happen in 2020 is either arrogant or crazy or both.

So let's get to some predictions.

Donald Trump has a 60 percent chance of being re-elected. Yes, he's been impeached (which we must always point out will be the irrevocable first line of his obituary). But his cult-like supporters have been swayed by admiration for his disdain for morality and societal norms, improbable hair and skin tone, and their false belief that a man who declared bankruptcy six times knows what he is doing about the economy. Their passion for him overwhelms the ennui of those in the middle.

Democrats' failure to produce a presidential frontrunner who can convince a majority of people she/he can defeat Trump is not a good omen for democracy. But the election will come down to Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Florida. Ohio, once THE swing state, now is reliably Republican because its farmers and factory workers think Trump knows what he is doing about the economy.

(I really hope I am wrong about Trump's re-election. It would be catastrophic for the rule of law, civility, the Supreme Court, science and normal family get-togethers, if a godsend for cable TV.)

The House will gain Republicans but stay in Democratic hands. The Senate will remain narrowly in Republican control. Kentucky's gift to the nation, Sen. Mitch McConnell, will continue to rule Congress.

The fissures in NATO will widen and Brexit will prove to be the beginning of the unraveling of Great Britain. (They may have to change its name.) The disdain for America's lack of leadership will mean the end of the U.S. as the world's moral arbiter. No one will trust the White House to keep its word on anything, meaning nothing will change.

Tensions will escalate between the West and Russia, the West and China, the West and North Korea. Trump and Vladimir Putin will continue courting each other. Trump will be tempted to get into a shooting war just before the November elections, but the fact that he fired most of his original advisers means he won't know how to do it.

The evil spate of hate crimes and gun violence will intensify, but the backlash is building. More retailers will follow Walmart's example in ending sales of guns. The House will pass more gun-control legislation; the Senate, as usual, will not, citing its old mantra "guns don't kill people; people kill people."

Climate change will mean more natural disasters – more droughts, more flooding, more melting of ice packs and glaciers, more extinctions of species. Trump, unfathomably, will continue to insist that climate change is a hoax unless it can be used to guarantee perfect weather the 75 percent of his week that he plays golf at one of his resorts.

There will be a huge hacking of American infrastructure, probably the electric grid, which will shake Americans' belief that technology will solve all their problems. Nonetheless, solar power in 2020 will be more economical in half the U.S. than regular electricity.

Technological advances in all sorts of arenas by researchers working against all odds will continue to amaze and astonish and give us hope. Every day thousands more people get electricity and running water. Every year routine killer childhood diseases decline. More people have phones than electricity.

By the end of the year only those people who got Pelotons for Christmas and are routinely taking selfies for TV ads will still be keeping their New Year's resolutions.

The largest age group in America will be Generation Z, those born after 1996. Millennials are so yesterday.

Finally, here are some buzzwords for 2020 politics. Immigration. The wall. The economy. Turnout. The senior vote. The youth vote. Women voters. Women's issues. White male anger. Tweets. Social media. Polling. Donor lists. Turnout. And turnout.

There. Now you know everything they teach in pundit school. You can predict with the best of them.

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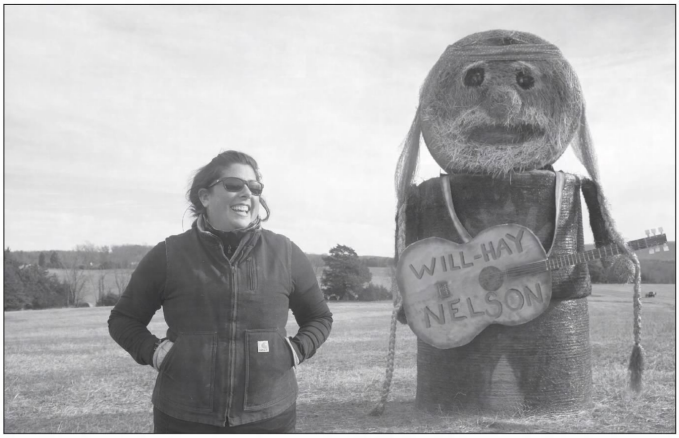


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**Huddleston native Beth Bays and artist of the hay bale sculpture Will-Hay Nelson poses for a portrait with her creation off of Tolers Ferry Road in Huddleston, Va.**

# 'On the Farm Again' Woman makes hay replica of Willie Nelson

HUDDLESTON, Va. (AP) — Country singer Willie Nelson frequently sings about traveling and seeing things he may never see again.

Chances are he had never before encountered a 15-foot-tall hay sculpture of himself – guitar and iconic pigtail braids included – like the one a Virginia woman recently created.

Huddleston native Beth Bays has been making giant hay bale sculptures for the last eight years. Her most memorable ones include characters from "The Wizard of Oz" and the Virginia Tech Hokie bird mascot.

But her latest work, "Will-Hay Nelson," really struck a chord in the community upon its debut in November, Bays told news outlets.

"This one seems to be everyone's favorite by far," Bays said. "My cousin joked that I might have to quit now because I'll never be able to top this."

Bays owns Buckscrape Farms and started making the sculptures as part of a hay bale decorating contest. The contest ended a few years ago but Bays continues to create new sculptures each year for the community.

Bays said Will-Hay Nelson was easier to assemble than some of her past sculptures but was more difficult in terms of details, The News & Advance reported. She said she used chicken wire to make the arms and the guitar is made of Styrofoam.

"I also had to make a nose out of chicken wire because Willie has a very prominent nose and I wanted to get that right," Bays said.

Bays said every year the community gets together and sings songs related to the sculptures.

This year local musician Dave Owens switched up the lyrics to one of Nelson's songs.

"I changed 'On the Road Again' to 'On the Farm Again,'" Owens said laughing. "It's always a good time."

Nelson saw the viral video of the performance and shared it on his Facebook page. Seems like the hay sculpture may always be on his mind.

# Trump's plan to curb teen vaping exempts some flavors

**By MATTHEW PERRONE**
AP Health Writer

Steven Senne / AP

**A high school student uses a vaping device near a school campus in Cambridge, Mass. in 2018. The Trump administration announced Thursday that it will prohibit fruit, candy, mint and dessert flavors from small, cartridge-based e-cigarettes that are popular with high school students. But menthol and tobacco-flavored e-cigarettes will be allowed to remain on the market.**

WASHINGTON — U.S. health officials will begin cracking down on most flavored e-cigarettes that are popular with underage teenagers, but their plan includes major exceptions that benefit vaping manufacturers, retailers and adults who use the nicotine-delivery devices.

The Trump administration announced Thursday that it will prohibit fruit, candy, mint and dessert flavors from small, cartridge-based e-cigarettes favored by high school and middle school students. But menthol and tobacco-flavored e-cigarettes will be allowed to remain on the market.

The targeted flavor ban will also entirely exempt large, tank-based vaping devices, which are primarily sold in vape shops that cater to adult smokers.

Together, the two exemptions represent a significant retreat from President Donald Trump's original plan announced four months ago, which would have banned all vaping flavors – including menthol – from all types of e-cigarettes. The new policy will spare a significant portion of the multibillion-dollar vaping market. And the changes mark a major victory for thousands of vape shop owners who sell the tank-based systems, which allow users to mix customized nicotine flavors.

Vape shop owners expressed relief following the announcement.

"We're thankful the guidance doesn't shut down flavors in every aspect," said Spike Babaian, owner of VapeNY in New York City.

Anti-tobacco advocates immediately condemned the decision to permit menthol and exempt tank-based vapes, accusing the administration of caving to industry pressure.

"It's disturbing to see the results of industry lobbying to undermine public health protections, especially the lives and health of our youth," said American Lung Association President and CEO Harold Wimmer. The association and other health groups argue that teenagers who vape will simply shift to using menthol if it remains on the market.

E-cigarettes are battery-powered devices that typically heat a flavored nicotine solution into an inhalable aerosol. They have been pitched to adults as a less-harmful alternative to traditional cigarettes, but there is limited data on their ability to help smokers quit.

The Food and Drug Administration has struggled for years to find the appropriate approach to regulate vaping. No e-cigarettes have yet won FDA approval, but the agency permits their sale under a policy called "enforcement discretion." Under Thursday's policy change, the FDA said it would begin targeting companies that continue to sell the targeted products. Companies will have 30 days after the policy is published to halt manufacturing, sales and shipping.

"We have to protect our families," Trump told reporters on Tuesday, ahead of the announcement. "At the same time, it's a big industry. We want to protect the industry."

# Births

### Lakeland Medical Center – Niles

Buchanan – Girl, 8 pounds, 6 ounces, Tiffany Heminger and Bruce Crabtree II, 9:24 a.m. Dec. 24.

DeKoster, 5:13 a.m. Jan. 1.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 8 pounds, 2 ounces, Brynisha Peterson, 7:37 p.m. Dec. 27.

Benton Harbor – Boy, 6 pounds, 13 ounces, Kendra Thomas and Javonte McFarland, 9:56 a.m. Dec. 27.

Benton Harbor – Girl, 6 pounds, 8 ounces, Jazmin Turlin, 5:03 p.m. Dec. 31.

Bridgman – Boy, 7 pounds, 15 ounces, Talia Noack and Bronsen Navarro, 9:26 a.m. Dec. 31.

Coloma – Boy, 8 pounds, 15 ounces, Nicole Peters and Joshua Kroschel, 5:46 p.m. Dec. 27.

Dowagiac – Girl, 8 pounds, 8.5 ounces, Emma and Kasey Robbins, 11:50 p.m. Jan. 1.

Hartford – Boy, 7 pounds, 8 ounces, Olivia Valentine and Joseph Haggard, 7:55 p.m. Jan. 1.

St. Joseph – Girl, 7 pounds, 6 ounces, Christine and Andrew Gatt, 6:24 p.m. Dec. 28.

Sawyer – Girl, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, Angela and Chad Novak, 10:42 p.m. Dec. 31.

Stevensville – Boy, 8 pounds even, Gracie Lee and Lance Prescott, 10:47 p.m. Dec. 31.

### Lakeland Medical Center – St. Joseph

Baroda – Girl, 7 pounds, 7 ounces, Megan and David

# Obituaries

## Juanita Marie Stanley Bass

BASS

Juanita Marie Stanley Bass, born Jan. 8, 1929, went home to the Lord on Dec. 29, 2019.

Juanita was a lifelong Christian born to Marian and Ethal Stanley in Hornersville, Mo.

Juanita had one daughter, Rose Mary Woodruff of Riverside; three granddaughters, Tracy Copeland of Chuckey, Tenn., April McLean of Coloma and Toni Woodruff of Riverside; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carroll William Bass.

## Ruth Ann Vorrath

VORRATH

Ruth Ann Vorrath, 88, of Buchanan died Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019, at her home.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Berrien Springs. Friends may call from 3-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at the church, and an hour before service on Monday. Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, Berrien Springs. Online messages and memories may be shared at www.allredfuneralhome.com.

Ruth was born Jan. 9, 1931, in Sodus. She was a secretary for 14 years at Pawating Hospital in Niles, and she later worked for several years at the Agricultural Office in St. Joseph. She was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, as well as helping at the school. She loved to cook, always making "too much."

Survivors include her husband, Ronald, and two sons, Ronnie and Randy Vorrath – all of Buchanan; daughter, Ricki Moyer of Denver; eight grandchildren: Tyler and Courtney Vorrath, Dana (Troy) Webb, Jillian and Maddy Vorrath and Hannah, Nathan and Becca Moyer; one great-granddaughter, Lilly Webb; and one brother, Bill Rhode of Mt. Pleasant, Mich.

## Clarence 'Corky' Robert Ott Jr.

OTT

Clarence "Corky" Robert Ott Jr., 84, of Bridgman passed away on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020, at his home in the care of his family.

A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 9650 N. Church St., Bridgman, with the Rev. Edward A. Meyer officiating. Friends may meet with the family from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, 9191 Red Arrow Hwy., Bridgman. Burial will be in Graceland Cemetery, Bridgman. Memorial contributions may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 26, Bridgman, MI 49106, Hospice at Home, 4025 Health Park Lane, St. Joseph, MI 49085 or Humane Society of SW Michigan – Yeager Family Pet Shelter, 5400 Niles Road, St. Joseph, MI 49085. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com.

Clarence was born Friday, May 31, 1935, in Sawyer, the son of the late Clarence Robert and May Josephine (Woodrick) Ott Sr. Clarence married Annette Krumrie on Aug. 10, 1957. He graduated from MSU with a degree in electrical engineering. He was employed with Bendix Missiles in Mishawaka, Ind., for seven years. In 1994, after 30 years, Clarence retired from Whirlpool Corp. He was an advance development engineer in the Laundry Group. He also owned several patents. Clarence was the chairman of the Old Timers Banquet.

He enjoyed fishing in Wisconsin, hunting deer, duck and goose, playing horseshoes, cards and bowling. He also played the accordion and ukelele. He was an avid fan of the Detroit Tigers and anything MSU. Corky was a devoted family man. He was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church, Sawyer, and was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Bridgman.

Clarence is survived by his wife of 62 years, Annette; son, Brian (Cheryl) Ott; daughters, Linda Ott, Cheryl (Chris) Strefling and Susan (Alan) Foster; 14 grandchildren: Amiee (Andrew) Clay, Kelly Gast, Alex (Abbey) Gast, Gina (Brian) Rzetelny, Elise Ott, Steven Clarence Ott, Stephanie (Kristian) Woods, Patrick (Angela) Binkley, Michael Catania, Katie (Raymond) Zordell, Breanna (Benjamin) Adams, Matthew (Melissa) Foster, Nathan (Emma) Foster and Timothy (Sara) Foster; 22 great-grandchildren: Ezra, Eliza, Colt, Takiya, Macey, Rylie, Charlie, Michael, Faith, Natalee, Henry, Daniel, Valerie, Cheyenne, Haley, Ethan, Emmett, Benjamin, Wyatt, Otto, Margo and Gabe; brother, Donald (Carolyn) Ott; and sisters, Lavera Lawrenz and Marlene (Earl) Anderson.

He was also preceded by two great-grandchildren, Vernon and RJ; and four sisters, Edna Scharnowske, Doris Nitz, Darlene Frank and Arlene Smiley.

## Death notices

**Juanita M. Bass,** 90, died Dec. 29, 2019. Bowerman Funeral Home, Eau Claire, 461-4241.

**Edna M. Brandley,** 76, of New Buffalo died Jan. 1, 2020, in Mishawaka, Ind. Sommerfeld Chapel and Cremation Services, New Buffalo, 469-2233.

**Rebecca M. Gibson,** 60, of Dowagiac died Jan. 2, 2020. Clark Chapel and Cremation Services, Dowagiac, 782-2135.

**Tommy Keys,** 32, of Dowagiac died Dec. 31, 2019. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

**Clarence "Corky" R. Ott Jr.,** 84, of Bridgman died Jan. 1, 2020, at home. Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, Bridgman, 465-3239.

**Clifford O. "Cliff" Pliml,** 77, of Stevensville died Jan. 1, 2020, at home. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

**Marlene A. Toth,** 84, of Bridgman died Dec. 30, 2019, at West Woods of Bridgman. Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Coloma, 468-6000.

**Suzanne Young,** 66, of Watervliet died Jan. 1, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville. Hutchins Funeral Home, Watervliet, 463-3811.

# Marriage licenses

ST. JOSEPH — The following marriage licenses have been issued by Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler.

Katie Marie Nimtz and Jacob J. Layman, both of St. Charles, Mo.

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# Do you remember?

### 25 years ago – 1995

Heath Co., a Twin Cities industrial landmark that became the lesser sibling of computer-maker Zenith Data Systems, will be sold this month to a Miami-based investment company, officials said today.

Officials said the transaction isn't expected to affect employment at Heath, which markets home security, lighting and educational products. About 125 people are employed at the company's Benton Harbor plant, said Bull spokesman, Patrick Marx.

### 35 years ago – 1985

Charlie's Place restaurant will open Monday at 2939 Niles Ave., St. Joseph, under the ownership of Charles Gettig, Donna Patnaude and "Sonny" Gettig. The Gettig's are father and son and are also affiliated with Margie's Restaurant in South Haven. Mrs. Patnaude is a cousin of the elder Gettig. Charlie's Place is in the building formerly occupied by Mr. Steak.

### 50 years ago – 1970

The Berrien County Health Department has scheduled a children's immunization clinic in Berrien Springs in its war on Rubella, or German measles.

"There is confusion about measles," said Dennis Seeley, the department's education director, because there are two different types. German measles is a common childhood disease, but if transmitted to a pregnant woman, may result in birth defects. "German measles has probably killed or crippled more children in recent years than polio, scarlet fever, chicken pox, mumps and common measles combined," Seeley said.

# Today in history

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Friday, Jan. 3, the third day of 2020. There are 363 days left in the year.

**Highlight in History:**

On Jan. 3, 1961, President Dwight D. Eisenhower announced the United States was formally terminating diplomatic and consular relations with Cuba.

**On this date:**

In 1777, Gen. George Washington's army routed the British in the Battle of Princeton, New Jersey.

In 1833, Britain seized control of the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic. (Almost 150 years later, Argentina seized the islands from the British, but Britain took them back after a 74-day war.)

In 1868, Japan's Meiji Restoration re-established the authority of the emperor and heralded the fall of the military rulers known as shoguns; the upheaval paved the way for Japan's drive toward becoming a modern power.

In 1892, J.R.R. Tolkien, author of the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy, was born in Bloemfontein, South Africa.

In 1938, the March of Dimes campaign to fight polio was established by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who himself had been afflicted with the crippling disease.

# 5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

| Today | Tonight | Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mostly Cloudy | Rain & Snow Possible | Isolated Snow | Mostly Cloudy | Mostly Cloudy | Isolated Snow |
| 41° | 32° | 36° / 29° | 38° / 30° | 36° / 32° | 33° / 27° |

## Local Outlook

Today we will see mostly cloudy skies with a slight chance of rain, high temperature of 41°, humidity of 77%. Northwest wind 6 to 9 mph. Expect cloudy skies tonight with a 35% chance of rain and snow, overnight low of 32°. Northwest wind 5 to 9 mph.

## Sun and Moon

Sunrise ..... 8:14 a.m.
Sunset ..... 5:26 p.m.
Moonrise ..... 1:03 p.m.
Moonset ..... 12:51 a.m.

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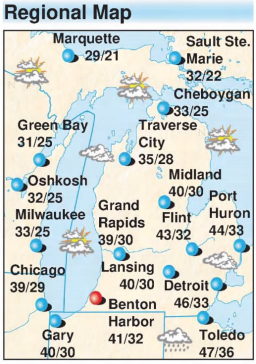
## Regional Map




## Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

**Temperature**

High ..... 50°
Low ..... 37°
Normal High ..... 31°
Normal Low ..... 17°
Record High ..... 60° in 2000
Record Low ..... -13° in 2018

**Precipitation**

Yesterday ..... 0.00"
Month to date ..... 0.00"
Normal for month ..... 0.11"
Year to date ..... 0.00"
Normal Year to date ..... 0.11"

## Air Quality

Yesterday ..... 30
Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50 ..... Good
51-100 ..... Moderate
101-150 ..... Sensitive
151-200 ..... Unhealthy

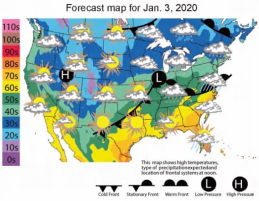
## Weather Trivia

*How many tropical storms develop in the Atlantic per year?*

Answer: On average, ten.

## National Weather Map

Forecast map for Jan. 3, 2020




For latest weather updates: **www.UpdatedWx.com/HP**

## Lake Michigan

Today, NW wind 6 to 9 kt. Patchy fog between 8am and 11am. Waves around 2 ft. Water temperature 37 degrees. Tonight, N wind 7 to 10 kt. A chance of rain and snow showers.

## Michigan Forecast

### Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with highs in the 20s and 30s. West wind 8 to 14 mph. Expect mostly cloudy to cloudy skies Saturday with isolated snow showers, highs in the 20s and 30s. Northwest wind 5 to 9 mph.

### Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be cloudy with isolated rain, highs in the 30s and 40s. Northwest wind 6 to 9 mph. Expect cloudy skies Saturday with widespread snow, highs in the 30s. Northwest wind 9 to 14 mph.

# Pelosi and McConnell begin 2020 in standoff over Trump trial

By ERIK WASSON
Bloomberg News (TNS)

Chip Somodevilla / Getty Images / TNS

**Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi announced that the House will proceed with articles of impeachment against President Donald Trump at the Speaker's Balcony in the U.S. Capitol on Dec. 5, in Washington, DC.**

WASHINGTON — House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell are locked in a stare-down over the terms of President Donald Trump's impeachment trial, which carries political risks for both sides if it continues deeper into January.

The two-week congressional holiday break produced no new negotiations on the contours of the Senate trial, according to people familiar with the matter. Pelosi is leaving the talks with McConnell up to Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer, with whom she's been coordinating, officials in the speaker's office said.

Pelosi has held up delivering to the Senate the two articles of impeachment adopted by the Democratic-majority House, saying she wants to see a "fair" process for the trial. Officials in Pelosi's office said she and Schumer are in lockstep on what that means: trial procedures that would include documents and testimony from witnesses that were blocked by Trump during the House's impeachment inquiry.

"Neither Senator McConnell, nor any Republican senator, has articulated a single good reason why the trial shouldn't have these witnesses or these documents," Schumer said at a news conference Monday in New York.

McConnell is showing no signs of shifting off his position that a vote on calling witnesses can be left until after the impeachment case is argued by House managers and Trump's counsel. While most lawmakers won't return to Washington until next week – when haggling over the trial process is likely to begin in earnest – McConnell is expected to deliver remarks on the Senate floor Friday criticizing the Democrats' position.

In the background is the 2020 election campaign that will decide control of the White House and both chambers of Congress, and that's putting pressure on both sides in the impeachment drama.

For Schumer and Pelosi, withholding the impeachment articles and demanding more witnesses has given them a chance to raise questions about whether Trump's trial in the Republican-controlled Senate can be fair. McConnell made clear he has no intention of being impartial – despite an impeachment oath that has traditionally required senators to deliver "impartial justice" – and said he's closely coordinating with the White House.

Raising the fairness question also gives Schumer and other Democrats a pressure point on a few GOP incumbents facing tough re-election campaigns, such as Maine Senator Susan Collins, and Republican senators like Mitt Romney of Utah and Lisa Murkowski of Alaska who've occasionally shown willingness to break with both McConnell and Trump.

Democrats would need at least four Republican votes to call witnesses.

Murkowski and Collins in the past week have chided McConnell for saying he's consulting with the White House on the trial. Collins said she is open to witnesses at some point later. Still, both indicated they'd support waiting to decide on other testimony until after presentations by the House and Trump's defense – similar to the process used in the 1999 impeachment trial of then-President Bill Clinton. That's the same argument made by McConnell.

Pelosi's delay could backfire if it continues for more than a week or two.

Republicans are arguing that Pelosi withholding the articles of impeachment contradicts the main message from Democrats during impeachment: that Trump is such a danger to national security and the next election that he must face swift consequences for his actions. Republicans also say the demand for more testimony and documents underscores what they describe as weak evidence for the impeachment articles.

A long delay also risks pushing the impeachment trial deeper into the presidential primary season. Five Democratic candidates who serve as senators – Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren, Amy Klobuchar, Cory Booker and Michael Bennet – would be kept off the campaign trail and trapped in Washington during the length of the trial as silent jurors. The first contest, the Iowa caucuses, is Feb. 3 and the New Hampshire primary is a week later.

Trump has been exploiting the delay to attack Pelosi and the impeachment process in the House.

McConnell said last month that if Democrats never send over the articles of impeachment it would be "fine with me." But that would leave the impeachment hanging in the background, unresolved, as the 2020 campaign is fully underway. That could heighten the risk for several vulnerable Republicans being targeted by Democrats seeking to gain control of the Senate.

McConnell and other Trump allies in the Senate instead have been maneuvering for a quick trial that is all but certain to result in the president's acquittal.

That would give the Trump and GOP senators running for re-election an opportunity to claim vindication and put more distance between the impeachment and election day in November.

"We know the President's not going to be removed from office. So the question is just how long do we want this to be foisted on the American people?" McConnell said in a Dec. 18 appearance on the Hugh Hewitt radio program, laying out his vision for a trial. "What I think we ought to do is listen to the arguments, have a period of written questions, and then vote on the two articles of impeachment."

Both parties are honing their argument to enhance their negotiating positions.

The president was impeached by the House for allegedly abusing his powers to try to force Ukraine to open a politically damaging investigation of Democrat Joe Biden in exchange for security aid, and then obstructing the House investigation.

# QUAIL

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She had made a big bet but lost after her usurper also got it right. To Quail's credit, she had correctly answered the Final Jeopardy question eight out of nine times.

From the stage, Quail then got a photo with Trebek highlighting her final total. She departed the stage and sat with the rest of the audience to watch the rest of the tapings from that day.

"It was frustrating because it was really, really close," Quail said. "I was annoyed with myself by not playing as well as I ought to. I don't feel relief, that's for sure. I wanted to keep playing."

### A nickname and possible return

When Quail applied to appear on show in 2019, it was the fourth time she had gone through the audition process.

In early October, Quail – accompanied by her brother – flew out to Burbank, Calif., to appear for the taping of the episodes. Fast forward two months and $230,000 later, Quail has a chance to return to the game show.

Her one route back would be through the annual Tournament of Champions.

Contestants who have won five or more games or posted Top 15 scores in the season are asked to come back to face one another.

The tournament normally takes place every 12 to 14 months (there is no set schedule).

Quail said she has not been invited back ... yet.

The current buzz is all about Jeopardy's "Greatest of All Time Tournament" that will air next week, featuring the top three "Jeopardy!" winners of all time.

Something Quail will always remember from her time on the show was how Trebek told contestants who lost to her that they had "walked into the buzzsaw."

"Having Alex actually call me a buzzsaw, it was surreal and kind of cool," Quail said. "But I've watched people get smoked by Ken (Jennings)'s buzzer speed. Also, if I'm a buzzsaw, then James (Holzhauer) is a sawmill."

Quail said she has a few regrets during her time on "Jeopardy!"

"There were a few when I thought to myself 'why didn't you ring in?' The longer you think about it, the worse it is," she said. "I was bummed about not ringing in on a question in regards to Fenway Park. I lived in Boston and had to apologize for it online. Sports are not my forte, but at least I got a question right about Bill Belichick."

In addition to sports, Quail said the pop music category is lost on her.

"I had an advantage on classical music, literature and history," she said. "My weakest was pop music. The rock 'n' roll category, I never tried to ring in. At least with sports I'm willing to learn about it."

### Life after the show

With the possibility of returning to "Jeopardy!" for its Tournament of Champions, Quail said she's been combing through trivia books and practicing the buzzer at home.

"It's hard because there's an element with timing that you don't see on TV," Quail said. "I just have to keep doing what I do."

Everyone who wins on the show is asked what they'll do with their money.

Quail is being smart with her money, with her only major purchase so far being the adoption of a beagle to be a companion to her corgi.

"When they ask what you're going to do with the money, they don't want you to say the boring stuff like invest in your 401k," Quail said. "I suppose I'll travel a little."

Since Quail became a sensation on the show, she's run into more people who have been on "Jeopardy!" via Facebook and Twitter.

She joined a women's "Jeopardy!" Facebook group and even messaged a few people she played against.

"I didn't realize this was going to be this big of a deal for anybody but me," Quail said when asked about how many people have reached out.

Around Dowagiac, Quail said it's been downright weird.

In one instance, she was at a bakery downtown talking to reporter when a couple sitting down with their laptops congratulated her. It got stranger when they said their family from Argentina had been watching the show and also wanted to congratulate her.

"It's weird being recognized this much," she said. "One of our club members at the winery was buying a bottle and asked me to autograph it for her father."

The club member's father was a fan of the show and took notice when one of Southwest Michigan's own had gone on a run.

The most off-the-wall correspondence she had came when someone who was present for the taping of some of her episodes messaged her.

"He's a writer. I looked him up and he was one of the writers for "Cheers," Quail said. "He did a 10-minute play about "Jeopardy!"

As for now, Quail said she hopes 2020 will be just as exciting.

"I can't begin to explain how much fun it was to meet all these other people, other 'Jeopardy!' fans," Quail said. "There was such a great response from people in the community."

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Niemann takes lead at Kapalua

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# Spartans stay atop Big Ten

## No. 14 MSU has big 2nd half to pull away from Illinois

EAST LANSING (AP) — Cassius Winston had 21 points and Xavier Tillman scored 19, leading No. 14 Michigan State to a 76-56 win over Illinois on Thursday night.

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The Spartans (11-3, 3-0 Big Ten) have won six straight and have won their first three conference games to stay alone in first place.

Michigan State led the entire game, but had just a six-point edge at halftime. The Spartans pulled away early in the second half with a 15-3 run.

The Fighting Illini (9-4, 1-2) lost a lopsided game in Big Ten play for the first time this season. They had a one-point loss at then-No. 3 Maryland and beat then-No. 5 Michigan last month.

Illinois' Ayo Dosunmu scored 13 of his 18 points in the first half and Alan Griffin finished with 17 points.

Gabe Brown scored 12 points and Aaron Henry added 10 points for the Spartans.

Michigan State led Illinois 36-30 after a feisty, foul-filled first half.

Both teams had a key player, Winston and Kofi Cockburn, limited by foul trouble and combined to have seven players called for two fouls in the opening 20 minutes.

Illinois coach Brad Underwood was called for a technical for arguing with officials in the first half. He nearly was called a second technical after Trent Frazier was whistled for a block when he appeared to draw a charge on Kyle Ahrens' 35-foot heave just before the half.

### BIG PICTURE

**Illinois:** Underwood averaged 13 wins during his first two seasons and should be able to surpass that clip with his physical team, which has three players averaging double digits.

**Michigan State:** The preseason No. 1 team had the kind of balanced contributions it will need to live up to expectations.

### POLL IMPLICATIONS

The Spartans can make a jump in the poll if they also win against No. 12 Michigan.

### INJURY REPORT

Ahrens, whose career has been stunted by injuries, left the court in the second half and went toward his team's locker room. He returned to the court, but did not play after having a point and a rebound in nine minutes.

### UP NEXT

**Illinois**: Hosts Purdue on Sunday night.

**Michigan State:** Plays the rival Wolverines on Sunday at home.

Al Goldis / AP

**Michigan State's Xavier Tillman, right, attempts to dunk against Illinois' Kofi Cockburn during the first half of Thursday's game.**

# More pins, more wins

Don Campbell / HP staff See more photos: heraldpalladium.mycapture.com

**Lakeshore's Aaron Lucio defeats Yale's Drew Arnold during their 119 pound match during Thursday night's wrestling quad.**

## Lakeshore wrestling sweeps quad to stay unbeaten

**By AL AREND**
HP Sports Correspondent

STEVENSVILLE — Lakeshore wrestlers' pinning brigade started out the new year with a bang here Thursday night.

Coach Bruce Bittenbender's undefeated Lancers improved to 9-0 on the young season posting easy victories over Chicago Brother Rice (55-12) and Yale (51-26).

Lakeshore's matmen, rated No. 7 in Division 2, garnered six pins in their opening win over Yale (7-2), and seven more against Chicago Brother Rice, now 12-6.

"We're getting better," said Bittenbender. "It's the holiday blues right now, we're still trying to get everybody together. We still have a few kids out, and a couple kids didn't make weight.

"Now it's time for the second season after these holidays, but we're looking good right now," added Bittenbender. "We got a lot of pins tonight. We just have to keep on improving."

Two Lancer grapplers entered the night undefeated, but only one of them survived. Shane Williams improved to 15-0 garnering two pins, but James Harris dropped to 14-1, after getting stuck by Chicago Brother Rice's Tom Bennett in 3:20, in a pier six brawl.

"If you live by the sword, you die by the sword," noted Bittenbender. "He gets in so many muscle

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# White Sox, Robert agree to $50M contract

**By ANDREW SELIGMAN**
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO — The Chicago White Sox and Luis Robert agreed Thursday to a $50 million, six-year contract, clearing the way for the prized outfielder to open the season in the majors.

The White Sox can add the 22-year-old Cuban to their opening day roster if they think he is ready rather than hold him in the minors because of service time issues.

"I risked everything when I left Cuba to pursue this dream, and now I know the whole process and all my sacrifices will be rewarded," Robert said in a statement. "My next step is to keep working as hard as ever, but now with more dedication and desire to help my team achieve our ultimate goal of winning championships."

Robert combined to hit .328 with 32 home runs, 92 RBIs, 108 runs and 36 stolen bases last season at Class A, Double-A and Triple-A.

He was the first minor leaguer since Joc Pederson in 2014 with at least 30 homers and 30 steals and the first White Sox prospect to do it since at least 1988. Robert ranked among the minor league leaders in total bases (tied for second), hits (fourth), extra-base hits (fourth) runs (fifth) and triples (tied for sixth).

Robert has hit .312 over three minor league seasons. Chicago signed him as an international free agent on May 27, 2017.

Robert is due $1.5 million in 2020, $3.5 million in 2021, $6 million in 2022, $9.5 million in 2023, $12.5 million in 2024 and $15 million in 2025.

The White Sox hold $20-million options for 2026 and 2027, with $2 million buyouts for each season.

John Raoux / AP

**Michigan head coach Jim Harbaugh, right, congratulates tight end Nick Eubanks (82) after he caught a 7-yard touchdown pass against Alabama during the first half of the Citrus Bowl on Wednesday.**

# Glory still awaits Harbaugh, U-M

**By LARRY LAGE**
AP Sports Writer

ANN ARBOR — Jim Harbaugh was hired five years ago at Michigan, hailed as the coach who would restore glory for college football's winningest program.

It might happen, but it hasn't yet.

The future, Harbaugh insisted, is bright.

"I feel good about that," he told reporters Wednesday after No. 9 Alabama beat the 14th-ranked Wolverines in the Citrus Bowl and dropped them to 9-4 in 2019. "I feel good about some of the young players that got great experiences this season."

Michigan has been good with its former star quarterback on the sideline, winning nine-plus games on average since he decided to leave the NFL and return to college. The Wolverines have not been that successful since Lloyd Carr retired following the 2007 season.

Michigan coaches, though, are largely measured by how they fare against Ohio State and in bowl games and Harbaugh has come up woefully short.

He is 0-5 against the Buckeyes, who have won 15 of 16 in the storied series, and has now lost four straight bowl games.

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# In brief

## Lions announce more coaching changes

ALLEN PARK, Mich. (AP) — The Detroit Lions have two more openings on their overhauled coaching staff.

Lions coach Matt Patricia announced Thursday defensive coordinator Paul Pasqualoni is leaving the team to be closer to his family in Connecticut. Patricia says offensive line coach Jeff Davidson is taking an indefinite leave from the profession.

Patricia fired six members of his staff earlier in the week, hoping changes will help him in a third season that might be his last if there isn't a turnaround.

The Lions were 3-12-1 in 2019 after losing 10 games the previous year in Patricia's debut as a head coach.

Detroit has the No. 3 pick overall in the draft this year and will get an up-close look at top prospects while coaching in the Senior Bowl later this month.

## Lions, Bengals to coach Senior Bowl

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — The staffs of the Cincinnati Bengals and Detroit Lions will coach the Senior Bowl teams.

The Senior Bowl announced the coaches, who are assigned by the NFL, on Thursday. Coach Zac Taylor and the Bengals hold the No. 1 pick in the draft and Matt Patricia's Lions pick third.

The Senior Bowl is an annual all-star game for senior NFL prospects. The NFL prioritizes teams based on draft order but wants the full staffs in place, which typically precludes teams with coaching turnover. That includes the Washington Redskins, who pick second.

Practices for the Senior Bowl give the staffs an up-close look at the prospects for a week. The Oakland Raiders, whose staff coached in the game last season, ended the season with eight Senior Bowl alums on their roster or practice squad.

## Yankees' Germán to miss 63 games

NEW YORK (AP) — Yankees pitcher Domingo Germán will miss the first 63 games of the 2020 season as part of an 81-game ban for violating Major League Baseball's domestic violence policy.

The league announced the suspension Thursday. Germán has agreed not to appeal.

Germán was put on administrative leave on Sept. 19 while MLB investigated an alleged domestic violence incident involving his girlfriend, with whom he has at least one child. He missed the final nine games of the 2019 regular season and all nine of New York's postseason games. Those missed games will count toward his ban.

The right-hander was the Yankees' winningest pitcher last season, going 18-4 with a 4.03 ERA in 24 starts and three relief appearances. The 27-year-old had a $577,500 salary but will not be paid for the time he missed after being placed on leave, costing him $35,153. He is expected to make a similar salary for 2020.

# Niemann opens with 66 at Kapalua

By DOUG FERGUSON
AP Golf Writer

Matt York / AP

**Joaquin Niemann hits from the 18th tee during the first round of the Tournament of Champions on Thursday.**

KAPALUA, Hawaii — Fresh off his Presidents Cup debut, Joaquin Niemann of Chile brought fresh confidence and plenty of form to Maui by opening the year with a 7-under 66 for a one-shot lead over Justin Thomas after the opening round Thursday at the Sentry Tournament of Champions.

Niemann is one of 15 first-time winners on the PGA Tour last year who are playing the rejuvenated Plantation Course at Kapalua for the first time. He knew his way around just fine in weather that might be as good as it gets all week.

He missed only one green and saved par. After a 30-foot birdie on No. 4, which he called his best shot of the day, his other six birdies were all from 10 feet or closer.

Thomas, who won at Kapalua three years ago, played bogey-free and made five birdies over his last eight holes for a 67.

He heard about the conditions in the forecast for the rest of the week, which include gusts in the 30 mph range, and wasn't bothered by that or his lack of birdies until the 11th hole onward.

"It's not like I was going to try any harder," Thomas said.

By the end of the round, it all felt easy. Thomas hit to 10 feet to a left pin on the tough 13th hole, added another birdie with a pitch he clipped perfectly up the slope to tap-in range on the par-5 15th and closed out his round with another perfectly judged pitch down the slope and grain to 4 feet on the par-5 closing hole.

Matt Kuchar and Rickie Fowler were at 68, with defending champion Xander Schauffele, Jon Rahm and Patrick Cantlay among those another shot back.

Only nine players in the 34-man field of PGA Tour winners failed to shoot par or better.

Niemann didn't win a match at Royal Melbourne — he went 0-3-1, twice facing two of the best U.S. partnerships — but thrived on the stage under International captain Ernie Els.

"The Presidents Cup was one of my best experiences since I turned pro," he said. "I shared a lot of moments with the best players in the world. I got Ernie as a captain. That is just awesome. I think that week was really special for me. He told me that it's going to be really helpful for my career, for my future."

It appeared to help in the first round of the new year, and Niemann had plenty of company.

Thomas also thrived at Royal Melbourne, going 3-1-1. Then again, he's been playing well the last six months with only one finish out of the top 12 and none out of the top 20.

Key to his round was keeping bogeys off his card as much as the flurry of birdies at the end.

"It's kind of a mini-goal I have very round," he said of playing bogey-free. "I make enough birdies that if I minimized the mistakes, it's not that hard to have a chance to win the tournament."

Warm sunshine and moderate wind for these parts also helped. The wind was reasonable enough for the tour to use all the new back tees that were part of the refinement project.

Kapalua still provided its usual punishment for missed shots, however.

Dustin Johnson, a two-time winner at Kapalua, made six birdies and an eagle. That was barely enough to offset his double bogey on the par-5 ninth and four other bogeys, most of them because of wild tee shots. He had to reload on No. 9. He went into the waist-high grass left of the 12th, right of the 14th and had only seven pars. That added to a 72.

Cantlay had few complaints after a 69. His only mistake was a tee shot into the weeds right of the third hole for a double bogey. He made a 30-foot eagle putt two holes later and didn't drop a shot the rest of the way.

Rahm felt some rust, and he had some mild concerns after making the turn with a clunker into the sand on the par-3 11th that led to bogey and a bad drive on the 12th that was saved by the width of Kapalua's fairways.

# Airwaves

## Television today

**3:30 p.m.** (ESPN) **College Football** Famous Idaho Potato Bowl — Ohio vs. Nevada. (Live)
**6:00 p.m.** (Golf) **PGA Tour Golf** Sentry Tournament of Champions, Second Round. (Live)
**7:00 p.m.** (ESPN2) **College Basketball** UCF at Houston. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Wisconsin at Ohio State. (Live)
(NBCSports) **College Hockey** Western Michigan at Notre Dame. (Live)
**8:00 p.m.** (Bigten) **College Basketball** Rutgers at Nebraska. (Live) CC
(ESPN) **NBA Basketball** Philadelphia 76ers at Houston Rockets. (Live)
(NBCSCH) **NBA G League Basketball** Wisconsin Herd at Windy City Bulls. (Live)
**8:30 p.m.** (FoxDetroit) **NHL Hockey** Detroit Red Wings at Dallas Stars. (Live)
**9:00 p.m.** (ESPN2) **High School Basketball** Patrick School (N.J.) vs. Sierra Canyon (Calif.). (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Georgetown at Seton Hall. (Live) CC
**10:30 p.m.** (ESPN) **NBA Basketball** New Orleans Pelicans at Los Angeles Lakers. (Live)

## Saturday

**10:00 a.m.** (NBCSports) **Premiership Rugby** Gloucester Rugby vs Bath Rugby. (Live)
**11:30 a.m.** (ESPN) **College Football** Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl — Southern Mississippi vs Tulane. (Live) CC
**12:00 p.m.** 17 (22) 32 **College Basketball** Indiana at Maryland. (Live) CC
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Oklahoma State at Texas Tech. (Live)
(FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** Wake Forest at Pittsburgh. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Creighton at Butler. (Live) CC
**1:00 p.m.** 2 3 22 **College Basketball** Georgia at Memphis. (Live) CC
5 8 16 **High School Football** All-American Bowl. (Live) CC
**2:00 p.m.** 17 (22) 32 **College Basketball** Villanova at Marquette. (Live) CC
(Bigten) **College Basketball** Iowa vs Penn State. (Live) CC
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Florida State at Louisville. (Live)
(FoxDetroit) **College Basketball** Virginia Tech at Virginia. (Live)
(FS1) **College Basketball** Providence at DePaul. (Live) CC
**4:00 p.m.** 5 8 16 **PGA Tour Golf** Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round. (Live) CC
(Bigten) **Women's College Basketball** Penn State at Wisconsin. (Live) CC
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Notre Dame at Syracuse. (Live)
**4:35 p.m.** 7 13 41 57 (ESPN) **NFL Football** Buffalo Bills at Houston Texans. (Live)
**5:00 p.m.** (FoxDetroit) **Women's College Basketball** Baylor at Oklahoma. (Live)
**6:00 p.m.** (Bigten) **Women's College Basketball** Minnesota at Nebraska. (Live) CC
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Alabama at Florida. (Live)
(Golf) **PGA Tour Golf** Sentry Tournament of Champions, Third Round. (Live)
**8:00 p.m.** 2 3 22 **NFL Football** Tennessee Titans at New England Patriots. (Live)
50 **AHL Hockey** Iowa Wild at Chicago Wolves. (Live)
(ESPN) **College Basketball** Duke at Miami. (Live)
(ESPN2) **College Basketball** Texas at Baylor. (Live)
(NBCSCH) **NBA Basketball** Boston Celtics at Chicago Bulls. (Live)
**8:30 p.m.** (FoxDetroit) **NBA Basketball** Detroit Pistons at Golden State Warriors. (Live)
**10:00 p.m.** (ESPN2) **College Basketball** Pepperdine at Gonzaga. (Live)
(NBCSports) **Motorcycle Racing** Monster Energy Supercross: Anaheim. (Live)

## Radio today

**7 p.m.**
**High school basketball** – Benton Harbor at St. Joseph (WSJM-AM, 1400; WSJM-FM, 106.1)

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**Lakeshore's Case Rohl defeats Yale's Munkhbayer Beyanmunkh during their 160-pound match during Thursday night's wrestling quad.**

# Lancers

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matches, and he finally got caught."

Harris did pin his Yale opponent.

Winning both of their matches for the Lancers, besides Williams, were: Aaron Lucio (119), Micah Hanau (135), Brock Strebeck (145), and Zeke Rohl (215).

Brother Rice defeated Schoolcraft 43-27, as did Yale 47-24.

**LAKESHORE 55, CHICAGO BROTHER RICE 12**

103 - Double forfeit; 112 - Cameron Litaaker (L) p. Mike Loughney 1:46; 119 - Aaron Lucio (L) p. Charles Connolly 1:43; 125 - Kyle Stampfly (L) m.d. John Fitzpatrick 12-3; 130 - Kent Heppler (L) p. Manny Flores 2:37; 135 - Micah Hanau (L) d. Nate Chirrito 6-1; 140 - Shane Williams (L) p. Emmett Connolly 1:36; 145 - Brock Strebeck (L) p. Jack Botta 4:21; 152 - Tom Bennett (CBR) p. James Harris 3:20; 160 - Sam Prince (L) p. Tom Crane 3:39; 171 - Tafara Rukunda (L) p. Kevin Gilhouly 3:32; 189 - Luke Kedzierski (CBR) d. Diego Avello 7-3; 215 - Zeke Rohl (L) by forfeit; Hwt - Kevin Barrett (CBR d. Malachi Bell 1-0.

**LAKESHORE 51, YALE 26**

103 - Easton Moran (Y) by forfeit; 112 - Bailey DeLaTorre (L) by forfeit; 119 - Aaron Lucio (L) d. Drew Arnold 8-1; 125 - Seth Woolman (Y) m.d. Kyle Stampfly 9-1; 130 - Brenden Connelly (Y) m.d. Kent Heppler 12-3; 135 - Micah Hanau (L) p. Connor Cowby 3:14; 140 - Shane Williams (L) p. Mike Trevino 1:50; 145 - Brock Strebeck (L) p. Chase Valcore 0:31; 152 - James Harris (L) p. Fisher Marrioy 2:45; 160 - Case Rohl (L) p. Munk Beyanmunkh 1:38; 171 - David Watson (Y) p. Tafar Rukunda 3:57; 189 - Steve Emmitt (Y) p. Bryce Ingram 0:44; 215 - Zeke Rohl (L) p. Masen Juppich 0:26; Hwt - Malachi Bell (L) by forfeit.
Records - Lakeshore 9-0, Yale 7-2, Chicago Brother Rice 12-6, Schoolcraft 8-11.

# Blackhawks assistant coach returns following suspension

By JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune (TNS)

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Blackhawks assistant coach Marc Crawford returned to the team Thursday after serving a one-month suspension for incidents of physically and verbally abusing former players that occurred over a decade ago.

The Hawks suspended Crawford on Dec. 2 to investigate the allegations. They announced two weeks later he would be reinstated on Jan. 2.

In a statement released following the completion of last month's investigation, the Hawks said they had done a "thorough review" of the allegations and "engaged with Marc's former players, colleagues, and executive management."

Crawford admitted to the allegations and said he had been undergoing therapy for the last decade to help him change his behavior. The Hawks said Crawford would be required to continue counseling as part of his reinstatement.

The allegations against Crawford first became public in 2016 when Patrick O'Sullivan published a book – "Breaking Away: A Harrowing True Story of Resilience, Courage, and Triumph" – that alleged Crawford was verbally and physically abusive toward him and others, allegedly using homophobic slurs while they were both with the Kings.

Brent Sopel, a former Hawk, alleged during a podcast last year that Crawford "kicked me, he choked me, he grabbed the back of my jersey and just pulling it back."

Crawford coached Sopel while both were with the Canucks.

In an interview with the New York Post last month, Avery said Crawford kicked him so hard it left a mark when both were with the Kings.

"I used unacceptable language and conduct toward players in hopes of motivating them, and, sometimes went too far," Crawford wrote last month in a statement. "As I deeply regret this behavior, I have worked hard over the last decade to improve both myself and my coaching style."

# Bulls fall to Jazz at home

CHICAGO (AP) — Bojan Bogdanovic scored 19 points and the surging Utah Jazz held off the Chicago Bulls 102-98 on Thursday night.

Utah 102 Chicago 98

The Jazz went on a 24-4 run in the third quarter to grab a nine-point lead and came away with their 10th win in 12 games after Chicago tied it in the closing minutes.

Donovan Mitchell and Rudy Gobert each scored 17 for Utah. Mitchell hit two free throws with 19 seconds remaining, and Gobert had 12 rebounds.

Zach LaVine led Chicago with 26 points and Lauri Markkanen scored 18.

Wendell Carter Jr. added 18 points and 13 rebounds but the Bulls lost for the third time in four games.

The Jazz led 96-88 in the closing minutes before Chicago scored eight straight, tying it on LaVine's 3 with 1:43 remaining.

Bogdanovic hit two free throws and Gobert drove for a dunk to make it a four-point game, before Carter made two free throws for Chicago with 47 seconds remaining.

After Mitchell missed a 3, LaVine missed on a wild drive.

The Jazz got the rebound, and Mitchell hit two free throws with 19 seconds left for the final score.

The Bulls bridged the second and third quarters with a 15-0 run that gave them a 58-47 lead. But the Jazz responded with that 24-4 spurt.

They scored 12 straight, capped by a 3-pointer from Mitchell. Chicago was up 62-61 when Utah reeled off another 10 in a row, with Georges Niang nailing a 3 to make it 71-62.

# Remembering Stern and some of his accomplishments

By TIM REYNOLDS
AP Basketball Writer

Nick Nurse has quite a few reasons to be thankful for David Stern.

The coach of the NBA champion Toronto Raptors first encountered Stern around 20 years ago. Nurse, who was coaching in London, met Stern – then the NBA commissioner – through a mutual friend and remembers how fascinating it was to have conversations with him. Fast forward a few years, and Nurse had an idea to bring a team from what was then called the NBA Development League to his native Iowa.

Stern and the NBA liked the idea. The Iowa team was born. Nurse was its first coach.

The rest is history. And Nurse is one of countless people reflecting now on Stern's impact, after the man who ran the NBA for 30 years died on Wednesday about three weeks following a brain hemorrhage.

"There's no denying how much he grew the game. He was the leader behind all that," Nurse said. "Obviously, lots of important people play important roles there, but still, somebody's got to lead that thing and he was doing that at a level that was unseen."

For all of Stern's accomplishments – and there are many – growth of the game may be the biggest one of all.

Nurse is the perfect example. If what is now called the G League wasn't born, at Stern's behest, then Nurse probably wouldn't be coaching the reigning champions right now. And if Stern didn't push to reach out into more markets, including Canada, then the Raptors might not even exist.

"This was his baby," Toronto guard Kyle Lowry said. "He helped grow this thing into what it is today. And you've got to give him a lot – I wouldn't say all – but a whole lot of the credit."

Stern, when he stepped down as commissioner, said growth of the league was his top achievement.

"My greatest accomplishment was in hiring the now 1,200 people – that used to be 24 – that have taken the league to where it is," he said.

Some of Stern's other accomplishments of note:

## ALL-STAR WEEKEND

Stern turned the NBA's All-Star Game – which long predated his work with the league – into a weekend festival. The slam dunk contest was added in 1984, the 3-point contest in 1986, what started as the rookie game arrived in 1994 and the skills contest was born in 2003.

The game itself, always held on Sunday night to cap the weekend, is now just a part of the show.

"It was a showcase of what David Stern knew was the backbone of the NBA – its stars," Larry Bird, the first 3-point contest winner, said in 2014.

## EQUALITY

Boston's Bill Russell was arguably the first black player to achieve superstar status in the NBA, though Stern always wasn't a fan. He rooted for the Knicks, not the Celtics, and thought Harry Gallatin was a better player.

"That's what fanship does," Stern said.

In the end, Russell might have become Stern's favorite player.

Stern loved Russell. He loved the way he expressed his political views. He loved his grouchiness. And when Stern saw the way Russell and Bob Cousy – a star white guard for Boston – played seamlessly together, he had a realization.

"Our sport was under duress because people said it was getting too black," Stern said in his Hall of Fame induction speech. "I remembered this guy named Russell who played with this other guy named Cousy. The best basketball that I think ever existed in the world and it dawned on me that we had something to teach the world."

With that, equality – all sorts of it, including racial and gender – became a passion of Stern's. He championed the creation of the WNBA. He was Magic Johnson's biggest advocate when the Lakers star announced he had been diagnosed with HIV in 1991. And he supported Johnson when he returned to the league after his first retirement, plus pushed for him to be part of the first Olympic "Dream Team" in 1992.

"We were able to change the world," Johnson said.

## DRAFT LOTTERY

The formula and the system has been tweaked a bit in recent years, but Stern also oversaw the league when the draft lottery was added and first used in 1995.

In short, the lottery allows non-playoff teams a chance to choose first in the next NBA draft. The NHL subsequently added a lottery of its own.

It didn't stop NBA teams from tanking, despite Stern's hopes otherwise.

"The draft lottery is responsible only for ameliorating the possible side effects of having the same kind of draft that others have," Stern said.

## SALARY CAP

Stern inherited a troubled league – some teams were in terrible financial shape – when he became commissioner in 1984, and at that time adding a salary cap was considered risky.

Stern knew it would work. He was right, of course.

The first cap was $3.6 million. The cap now is around $109 million. What it does, in simplest terms, is make the teams and the players partners: If one side succeeds financially, so does the other side.

There was labor strife on his watch, numerous times – but the game has never been on better financial footing than it is now.

## BOWLING

**COLOMA LANES**

THURS. IND. (12/26) – Brad Flowers 719 (268), Arica Angelo 705 (256), Aaron Collins 704 (265), Dave Scheuer 701 (241), Carley Burrell 683 (247), Rich Keleman 673 (256), Gary Gargano 662 (267), Danny Gulliver 662 (257), Keith Hiler 653 (237), Nate Dvorin 650 (235). Team score: Big C Lumber 3028 (1067).

THURS. IND. (1/2) – Jim Davis 758 (277), Arica Angelo 741 (267), Bill Tusin 696 (238), Bryan Angelo 686 (235), Tom LoPresti 672 (247), Danny Gulliver 669 (256), Brad Flowers 651 (259), Victor Clark 648. Team score: Big C Lumber 3041 (1026)

## AREA SCHEDULE

**Today**
**Boys basketball**
Watervliet at Wyoming Lee, 5
River Valley at Bridgman, 6:30
Benton Harbor at St. Joseph, 7:15

**Saturday**
**Boys basketball**
Don Jackson Classic at Kalamazoo Central: Benton Harbor vs. Flint Beecher, 5
Niles at Berrien Springs, 7
**Wrestling**
St. Joseph at Grand Haven Inv., 9:30
Lakeshore at Allendale Inv., 9:30
South Haven, River Valley, Decatur at Bloomingdale Inv., 10
Watervliet, Coloma, Hartford at Climax-Scotts Inv., 9
Berrien Springs, Buchanan at Hudsonville Unity Christian Inv., 9
Brandywine at Hillsdale Inv., 9:30
Lawrence, Eau Claire at Gobles Inv., 9
**Competitive cheer**
Buchanan at Portage Central Inv., 10
**Bowling**
Niles, Brandywine at South Haven (Lakeside Lanes), 11
**Hockey**
Crown Point at Lakeshore-St. Joseph (Garden Ice Arena), 11
**College basketball**
LMC men at Grand Rapids CC, 3
LMC women at Grand Rapids CC, 1

## NBA

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

| Atlantic Division | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Boston | 23 | 8 | .742 | — |
| Toronto | 23 | 12 | .657 | 2 |
| Philadelphia | 23 | 13 | .639 | 2½ |
| Brooklyn | 16 | 17 | .485 | 8 |
| New York | 10 | 24 | .294 | 14½ |
| **Southeast Division** | | | | |
| Miami | 25 | 9 | .735 | — |
| Orlando | 15 | 19 | .441 | 10 |
| Charlotte | 14 | 23 | .378 | 12½ |
| Washington | 10 | 23 | .303 | 14½ |
| Atlanta | 7 | 27 | .206 | 18 |
| **Central Division** | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct | GB |
| Milwaukee | 31 | 5 | .861 | — |
| Indiana | 22 | 13 | .629 | 8½ |
| Chicago | 13 | 22 | .371 | 17½ |
| Detroit | 12 | 22 | .353 | 18 |
| Cleveland | 10 | 24 | .294 | 20 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | |
| **Southwest Division** | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct | GB |
| Houston | 23 | 11 | .676 | — |
| Dallas | 22 | 12 | .647 | 1 |
| San Antonio | 14 | 19 | .424 | 8½ |
| Memphis | 13 | 21 | .382 | 10 |
| New Orleans | 11 | 23 | .324 | 12 |
| **Northwest Division** | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct | GB |
| Denver | 24 | 10 | .706 | — |
| Utah | 22 | 12 | .647 | 2 |
| Oklahoma City | 19 | 15 | .559 | 5 |
| Portland | 14 | 21 | .400 | 10½ |
| Minnesota | 13 | 21 | .382 | 11 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | |
| | W | L | Pct | GB |
| L.A. Lakers | 27 | 7 | .794 | — |
| L.A. Clippers | 24 | 11 | .686 | 3½ |
| Phoenix | 13 | 21 | .382 | 14 |
| Sacramento | 12 | 22 | .353 | 15 |
| Golden State | 9 | 27 | .250 | 19 |

**Wednesday's Games**
Orlando 122, Washington 101
New York 117, Portland 93
Milwaukee 106, Minnesota 104
L.A. Lakers 117, Phoenix 107
**Thursday's Games**
Charlotte 109, Cleveland 106
Denver 124, Indiana 116
Miami 84, Toronto 76
Minnesota 99, Golden State 84
Utah 102, Chicago 98
Dallas 123, Brooklyn 111
Oklahoma City 109, San Antonio 103
Memphis at Sacramento
Detroit at L.A. Clippers
**Today's Games**
Atlanta at Boston, 7 p.m.
Miami at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Portland at Washington, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 8 p.m.
New York at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
New Orleans at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
**Saturday's Games**
Memphis at L.A. Clippers, 3:30 p.m.
Toronto at Brooklyn, 6 p.m.
Utah at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Denver at Washington, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Golden State, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

**JAZZ 102, BULLS 98**

**UTAH (102)**
Bogdanovic 5-13 9-9 19, O'Neale 2-4 0-0 5, Gobert 8-11 1-2 17, Ingles 3-9 0-0 8, Mitchell 6-14 3-3 17, Bradley 3-5 0-2 6, Niang 4-7 0-0 11, Clarkson 3-8 3-4 12, Mudiay 3-5 1-2 7. Totals 37-76 17-22 102.
**CHICAGO (98)**
Dunn 2-7 0-0 5, Markkanen 6-16 2-2 18, Carter Jr. 7-12 3-4 18, LaVine 9-26 5-6 26, Satoransky 3-7 2-2 8, Young 2-5 0-0 5, Gafford 2-5 1-2 5, Harrison 1-2 0-0 3, Valentine 2-3 0-0 4, White 3-11 0-1 6. Totals 37-94 13-17 98.

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Utah** | **25** | **22** | **29** | **26 — 102** |
| **Chicago** | **22** | **29** | **19** | **28 — 98** |

3-Point Goals-Utah 11-30 (Ingles 3-5, Clarkson 3-7, Ingles 2-5, Mitchell 2-5, O'Neale 1-3, Bogdanovic 0-5), Chicago 11-36 (Markkanen 4-10, LaVine 3-11, Carter Jr. 1-2, Dunn 1-2, Young 1-2, Satoransky 0-3, White 0-4). Fouled Out-None. Rebounds-Utah 42 (Gobert 12), Chicago 45 (Carter Jr. 13). Assists-Utah 24 (Ingles 10), Chicago 22 (LaVine 5). Total Fouls-Utah 17, Chicago 15. A-19,398 (20,917)

**NBA All-Star Voting**
**Released Jan. 2**
**Game: Feb. 16 at United Center, Chicago**
**Eastern Conference**
**Frontcourt**
1. Giannis Antetokounmpo, Milwaukee, 1,073,358
2. Joel Embiid, Philadelphia, 606,534
3. Pascal Siakam, Toronto, 544,302
4. Jimmy Butler, Miami, 431,483
5. Jayson Tatum, Boston, 364,137
6. Tacko Fall, Boston, 110,269
7. Bam Adebayo, Miami, 104,086
8. Gordon Hayward, Boston, 75,420
9. Andre Drummond, Detroit, 68,076
10. Domantas Sabonis, Indiana, 67,482
**Guards**
1. Trae Young, Atlanta, 443,412
2. Kyrie Irving, Brooklyn, 432,481
3. Kemba Walker, Boston, 432,031
4. Derrick Rose, Detroit, 233,669
5. Zach LaVine, Chicago, 174,991
6. Ben Simmons, Philadelphia, 159,065
7. Jaylen Brown, Boston, 156,537
8. Kyle Lowry, Toronto, 154,139
9. Bradley Beal, Washington, 149,640
10. Spencer Dinwiddie, Brooklyn, 94,618
**Western Conference**
**Frontcourt**
1. LeBron James, L.A. Lakers, 1,020,851
2. Anthony Davis, L.A. Lakers, 955,246
3. Kawhi Leonard, L.A. Clippers, 740,657
4. Paul George, L.A. Clippers, 280,894
5. Karl-Anthony Towns, Minnesota, 173,129
6. Kristaps Porzingis, Dallas, 171,748
7. Nikola Jokic, Denver, 160,934
8. Carmelo Anthony, Portland, 142,292
9. Brandon Ingram, New Orleans, 116,188
10. Dwight Howard, L.A. Lakers, 69,785
**Guards**
1. Luka Doncic, Dallas, 1,073,957
2. James Harden, Houston, 749,080
3. Damian Lillard, Portland, 202,498
4. Stephen Curry, Golden State, 191,149
5. Russell Westbrook, Houston, 189,005
6. D'Angelo Russell, Golden State, 122,499
7. Donovan Mitchell, Utah, 108,349
8. Alex Caruso, L.A. Lakers, 92,233
9. Devin Booker, Phoenix, 91,817
10. Ja Morant, Memphis, 77,081

**NBA Leaders**
**Through Wednesday**
**Scoring**

| | G | FG | FT | PTS | AVG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Harden, HOU | 33 | 370 | 350 | 1261 | 38.2 |
| Antetokopo, MIL | 33 | 373 | 200 | 1002 | 30.4 |
| Doncic, DAL | 29 | 270 | 216 | 841 | 29.0 |
| Young, ATL | 31 | 288 | 201 | 883 | 28.5 |
| Beal, WAS | 31 | 293 | 197 | 862 | 27.8 |
| Davis, LAL | 32 | 306 | 227 | 873 | 27.3 |
| Lillard, POR | 33 | 275 | 220 | 881 | 26.7 |
| Leonard, LAC | 26 | 231 | 157 | 665 | 25.6 |
| James, LAL | 33 | 319 | 127 | 835 | 25.3 |
| Ingram, NOP | 31 | 269 | 150 | 758 | 25.3 |
| Mitchell, UTA | 33 | 309 | 141 | 831 | 25.2 |
| Booker, PHX | 31 | 275 | 173 | 780 | 25.2 |
| Siakam, TOR | 27 | 253 | 104 | 677 | 25.1 |
| Giannis, MIN | 26 | 240 | 107 | 644 | 24.8 |
| Westbrook, HOU | 30 | 271 | 151 | 727 | 24.2 |
| Embiid, PHI | 29 | 224 | 201 | 687 | 23.7 |
| LaVine, CHI | 34 | 268 | 153 | 794 | 23.4 |
| Dinwiddie, BKN | 32 | 242 | 189 | 735 | 23.0 |
| Walker, BOS | 30 | 224 | 118 | 675 | 22.5 |
| McCollum, POR | 35 | 309 | 67 | 778 | 22.2 |

**FG Percentage**

| | FG | FGA | PCT |
|---|---|---|---|
| Robinson, NYK | 130 | 184 | .707 |
| Gobert, UTA | 178 | 261 | .682 |
| Holmes, SAC | 188 | 283 | .664 |
| Allen, BKN | 148 | 226 | .655 |
| Clarke, MEM | 156 | 242 | .645 |
| Capela, HOU | 177 | 277 | .639 |
| Adams, OKC | 150 | 243 | .617 |
| Whiteside, POR | 204 | 340 | .600 |
| Valanciunas, MEM | 190 | 320 | .594 |
| Harrell, LAC | 259 | 456 | .568 |

**Rebounds**

| | G | OFF | DEF | TOT | AVG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Drummond, DET | 32 | 140 | 368 | 508 | 15.9 |
| Gobert, UTA | 31 | 111 | 330 | 441 | 14.2 |
| Capela, HOU | 28 | 111 | 287 | 398 | 14.2 |
| Whiteside, POR | 27 | 125 | 309 | 434 | 13.6 |
| Sabonis, IND | 32 | 104 | 320 | 424 | 13.2 |
| Antetokopo, MIL | 33 | 86 | 342 | 428 | 13.0 |
| Doncic, DAL | 29 | 76 | 285 | 361 | 12.4 |
| Adebayo, MIA | 33 | 85 | 266 | 351 | 10.6 |
| Love, CLE | 28 | 28 | 269 | 297 | 10.6 |
| Allen, BKN | 32 | 112 | 215 | 327 | 10.2 |

**Assists**

| | G | AST | AVG |
|---|---|---|---|
| James, LAL | 33 | 359 | 10.9 |
| Rubio, PHX | 26 | 236 | 9.3 |
| Doncic, DAL | 29 | 259 | 8.9 |
| Simmons, PHI | 34 | 290 | 8.5 |
| Young, ATL | 31 | 257 | 8.3 |
| Graham, CHA | 36 | 276 | 7.7 |
| Lillard, POR | 33 | 250 | 7.6 |
| Harden, HOU | 33 | 246 | 7.5 |
| Brogdon, IND | 27 | 200 | 7.4 |
| Westbrook, HOU | 30 | 213 | 7.1 |

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**MICHIGAN ST. 76, ILLINOIS 56**

**ILLINOIS (9-5)**
Dosunmu 8-20 2-3 18, Frazier 2-9 0-1 6, Bezhanishvili 3-12 0-3 6, Griffin 5-9 6-6 17, Cockburn 2-3 1-2 5, Feliz 1-5 0-0 2, Williams 0-3 0-0 0, Jones 0-4 0-0 0, Nichols 1-3 0-0 2, Hamlin 0-0 0-0 0, Underwood 0-0 0-0 0, Griffith 0-0 0-0 0, Oladimeji 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-75 9-15 56.
**MICHIGAN ST. (11-3)**
Henry 5-12 0-3 10, Tillman 7-10 4-4 19, Winston 7-14 4-4 21, Brown 3-6 4-4 12, Bingham 0-2 0-2 0, Watts 3-8 0-0 6, Loyer 1-4 4-4 7, Kithier 0-1 0-0 0, Ahrens 0-1 1-3 1, Hall 0-1 0-0 0, Burke 0-0 0-0 0, George 0-0 0-0 0, Hoiberg 0-0 0-0 0, Izzo 0-0 0-0 0, Marble 0-0 0-0 0, Washington 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-60 17-24 76.
Halftime-Michigan St. 36-30. 3-Point Goals-Illinois 3-28 (Frazier 2-8, Griffin 1-5, Feliz 0-1, Nichols 0-1, Dosunmu 0-3, Jones 0-3, Williams 0-3, Bezhanishvili 0-4), Michigan St. 7-22 (Winston 3-5, Brown 2-5, Tillman 1-1, Loyer 1-2, Ahrens 0-1, Washington 0-1, Bingham 0-2, Watts 0-2, Henry 0-3). Rebounds-Illinois 38 (Griffin, Cockburn 9), Michigan St. 46 (Bingham 12). Assists-Illinois 14 (Frazier 4), Michigan St. 20 (Tillman, Winston 6). Total Fouls-Illinois 18, Michigan St. 19. A-14,797 (16,280).

**Thursday's men's scores**
**EAST**
Boston U. 73, Lafayette 72
Brown 85, Rhode Island 75
Bryant 67, St. Francis (Pa.) 63
Bucknell 67, Army 65
Colgate 65, American U. 51
Dayton 84, La Salle 58
Duquesne 73, Saint Louis 59
Loyola (Md.) 80, Holy Cross 70
Maine 75, Columbia 72
Marshall 88, Rice 69
Merrimack 65, Sacred Heart 57
Navy 64, Lehigh 58
Northeastern 77, Elon 68
Robert Morris 89, CCSU 78
Vermont 77, Dartmouth 68
Wagner 66, Mount St. Mary's 47
William & Mary 88, Hofstra 61
**SOUTH**
Charleston Southern 89, SC-Upstate 75
Charlotte 51, UAB 44
Coll. of Charleston 81, Towson 69
E. Kentucky 74, Tennessee Tech 59
FAU 79, UTSA 64
FIU 69, UTEP 67
Gardner-Webb 67, Campbell 65
Georgia Southern 70, Coastal Carolina 67
Georgia St. 69, Appalachian St. 60
James Madison 64, UNC-Wilmington 60
Lamar 74, New Orleans 67
Liberty 58, Florida Gulf Coast 46
Lipscomb 66, Stetson 63
Louisiana-Monroe 79, Troy 63
Murray St. 89, UT Martin 76
North Alabama 82, Jacksonville 57
North Florida 76, Kennesaw St. 57
Old Dominion 70, Middle Tennessee 60
Presbyterian 79, UNC-Asheville 77
SIU-Edwardsville 79, Belmont 69
Sam Houston St. 94, McNeese St. 75
South Alabama 60, Louisiana-Lafayette 57
Stephen F. Austin 82, SE Louisiana 71
Tennessee St. 84, E. Illinois 79
VCU 64, Fordham 46
W. Kentucky 93, North Texas 84
Winthrop 91, Longwood 67
**MIDWEST**
Michigan St. 76, Illinois 56
N. Dakota St. 94, W. Illinois 74
Purdue 83, Minnesota 78
Utah Valley 94, Chicago St. 73
**SOUTHWEST**
Houston Baptist 111, Cent. Arkansas 107
Texas A&M-CC 67, Northwestern St. 62
Texas-Arlington 73, Arkansas St. 52
UALR 72, Texas State 66
**FAR WEST**
N. Colorado 68, Montana St. 59
Utah 81, Oregon St. 69

## NHL

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

| Atlantic Division | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Boston | 42 | 24 | 7 | 11 | 59 | 139 | 107 |
| Toronto | 42 | 23 | 14 | 5 | 51 | 152 | 135 |
| Tampa Bay | 39 | 22 | 13 | 4 | 48 | 139 | 121 |
| Florida | 40 | 21 | 14 | 5 | 47 | 145 | 137 |
| Buffalo | 42 | 18 | 17 | 7 | 43 | 124 | 133 |
| Montreal | 41 | 18 | 17 | 6 | 42 | 132 | 133 |
| Ottawa | 41 | 16 | 20 | 5 | 37 | 114 | 138 |
| Detroit | 41 | 15 | 23 | 3 | 23 | 89 | 157 |
| **Metropolitan Division** | | | | | | | |
| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
| Washington | 41 | 27 | 9 | 5 | 59 | 146 | 122 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 39 | 25 | 11 | 3 | 53 | 115 | 107 |
| Pittsburgh | 40 | 24 | 11 | 5 | 53 | 138 | 107 |
| Carolina | 40 | 24 | 14 | 2 | 50 | 136 | 112 |
| Philadelphia | 40 | 22 | 13 | 5 | 49 | 127 | 118 |
| Columbus | 41 | 19 | 14 | 8 | 46 | 107 | 113 |
| N.Y. Rangers | 39 | 19 | 16 | 4 | 42 | 129 | 132 |
| New Jersey | 40 | 15 | 19 | 8 | 38 | 104 | 139 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | | | | |
| **Central Division** | | | | | | | |
| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
| St. Louis | 41 | 26 | 9 | 6 | 58 | 129 | 107 |
| Colorado | 40 | 23 | 13 | 4 | 50 | 144 | 119 |
| Dallas | 41 | 23 | 14 | 4 | 50 | 111 | 103 |
| Winnipeg | 41 | 22 | 16 | 3 | 47 | 128 | 126 |
| Minnesota | 41 | 19 | 17 | 5 | 43 | 126 | 137 |
| Nashville | 39 | 18 | 15 | 6 | 42 | 134 | 131 |
| Chicago | 41 | 18 | 17 | 6 | 42 | 118 | 132 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | | | | |
| | GP | W | L | OT | Pts | GF | GA |
| Vegas | 43 | 22 | 15 | 6 | 50 | 134 | 125 |
| Arizona | 42 | 22 | 16 | 4 | 48 | 118 | 108 |
| Edmonton | 42 | 21 | 17 | 4 | 46 | 127 | 137 |
| Vancouver | 40 | 21 | 15 | 4 | 46 | 132 | 119 |
| Calgary | 42 | 20 | 17 | 5 | 45 | 114 | 127 |
| San Jose | 42 | 18 | 21 | 3 | 39 | 112 | 141 |
| Los Angeles | 42 | 17 | 21 | 4 | 38 | 109 | 132 |
| Anaheim | 40 | 16 | 19 | 5 | 37 | 103 | 124 |

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

**Wednesday's Game**
Dallas 4, Nashville 2
**Thursday's Games**
Columbus 2, Boston 1, OT
Buffalo 3, Edmonton 2, OT
Tampa Bay 2, Montreal 1
New Jersey 2, N.Y. Islanders 1
San Jose 3, Pittsburgh 2, OT
Florida 6, Ottawa 3
Toronto 6, Winnipeg 3
Anaheim at Arizona
N.Y. Rangers at Calgary
St. Louis at Colorado
Chicago at Vancouver
Philadelphia at Vegas
**Today's Games**
Washington at Carolina, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Boston, 8:30 p.m.
**Saturday's Games**
Edmonton at Boston, 1 p.m.
Florida at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
San Jose at Columbus, 1 p.m.
Winnipeg at Minnesota, 2 p.m.
St. Louis at Vegas, 4 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Colorado at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Arizona, 8 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Nashville at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

# Delpit caps unusual season for LSU with trip to title game

By RALPH D. RUSSO
AP College Football Writer

LSU's star safety switched positions early in the year to compensate for an injured teammate. Later in the season, he was the injured player and the Tigers' defense suffered from Delpit being limited by a sore ankle.

That didn't stop Delpit from winning the Thorpe Award as the nation's top defensive back or keep No. 1 LSU (14-0) from reaching the College Football Playoff with a perfect record.

In a case of fortuitous timing for the Tigers, Delpit heads into the national championship game against No. 3 Clemson (14-0) on Jan. 13 in New Orleans feeling healthy and playing about as well as he has all season. No coincidence, the same goes for LSU's defense across the board.

"He was being tough all year and battling through injuries, and he got healthy towards the end of the year, and that was kind of the turning point of our defense," LSU quarterback Joe Burrow said Thursday. "I think that just shows how important he is."

Delpit's season took a turn after teammate Todd Harris was lost for the year with a right knee injury in the third game of the season against Northwestern State.

Harris had played free safety and Delpit was slotted as a strong safety. From that spot, the 6-foot-3, 205-pound junior wreaked havoc on offenses last year and stuffed the stat sheet.

He had five interceptions, five sacks, 9.5 tackles for loss and 14 passes defended to become an AP All-American in 2018. He established himself as a possible future first-round pick in the NFL draft.

Without Harris, Delpit moved into the vacated role because he was best suited to be LSU's last line of defense. That put Delpit farther from the line of scrimmage, with fewer opportunities to blitz and run to the ball.

JaCoby Stevens has played Delpit's role this season. The junior has three interceptions, is second on the team in tackles with 85 and has five sacks among 8.5 tackles for loss.

"I'm all about the results of the team," Delpit said. "So whatever position they put me, I'm going to play it. I was playing a lot of free safety this year in the middle of the field, and just trying to get other guys in position to make plays like JaCoby being down around the ball a lot."

Delpit's season took another turn in late October when he sprained his ankle against Auburn.

He played through the injury in the Tigers' No. 1 vs. No. 2 showdown against Alabama, a game in which the Crimson Tide passed for 419 yards, and the next week when Mississippi ran for 402 yards.

Delpit took a week off against Arkansas. When he returned, the Tigers played two of their best defensive games of the season, against Texas A& M and then Georgia in the Southeastern Conference championship game.

"Yeah, the ankle was hurting pretty bad the second half of the season a little bit, but now towards the end of it it's feeling pretty good," Delpit said. "I consider myself close to 100%, so it shouldn't be a problem."

Delpit was one of several important defensive players for LSU who were in and out of the lineup this season.

An ankle injury also slowed top-pass rusher K'Lavon Chaisson. The sophomore has been a terror lately and had two sacks in the semifinal victory against Oklahoma.

Linebacker Michael Divinity, who sat out the last six games for what the school called personal reasons, is expected to play in the championship game.

Trevor Lawrence and Clemson will face maybe the best version of the LSU defense the Tigers have fielded all season.

"I think after the Ole Miss game, it was kind of a turnaround for us," Delpit said. "It wasn't our best performance, and I think we sat down as a defense and just saw what we did wrong, understood that some teams might try to make those plays and run it against us again. And I think we just kind of lit a fire and started playing LSU football after that. So hopefully this last game we can keep it going."

## HARBAUGH

From page B1

The Crimson Tide handed Harbaugh and the Wolverines their latest setback in the postseason, pulling away to win 35-16 by outscoring them 21-0 after halftime. The loss continued a trend as Harbaugh fell to 0-10 against teams ranked No. 15 or higher away from home..

Senior quarterback Shea Patterson missed opportunities to give Michigan a bigger lead in the first half and to keep it closer in the second. Patterson was plagued by overthrowing open receivers and finished 17 of 37 for 233 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions.

"I didn't play my best," Patterson said. "I missed a few throws. I felt like I didn't make enough plays."

When Harbaugh prepares for his sixth season this spring and summer, he will oversee a quarterback competition that will at least include Dylan McCaffrey and Joe Milton.

McCaffrey, son of former NFL player Ed McCaffrey and brother of Carolina Panthers running back Christian McCaffrey, redshirted in 2017 and played sparingly the next two years. Milton has played even less the last two seasons.

The player under center will have the benefit of a strong backfield with running backs Zach Charbonnet and Hassan Haskins coming back along with the return of Chris Evans.

Michigan's receiving corps will be without Tarik Black, who announced last month he is transferring,. The team might also be missing Nico Collins and Donovan Peoples-Jones if they decide to enter the draft or leave for another school.

Right tackle Jalen Mayfield, potentially, will be the only returning starter on the offensive line.

The defense has some key seniors departing, including linebacker Khaleke Hudson and cornerback Lavert Hill, and junior linebacker Josh Uche. Defensive end Kwity Paye and tight end Nick Eubanks are putting their NFL dreams on hold, choosing to stay in college next season.

Harbaugh will have at least one new assistant coach in 2020 because safeties coach Chris Partridge joined Lane Kiffin's staff at Mississippi on Thursday, taking away one of the Wolverines' best recruiters.

Michigan's opens the 2020 season at Washington and plays on the road against rivals Ohio State and Michigan State. The Wolverines will open the Big Ten season at home against Wisconsin and Penn State.

## BEETLE BAILEY

## BLONDIE

ARE YOU MAKING A SHOPPING LIST, DEAR?
ACTUALLY, I'M MAKING A LIST OF ALL THE CHORES I INTEND TO TAKE CARE OF THIS YEAR
YOU'RE GIVING YOURSELF AN ENTIRE YEAR TO FINISH THEM?
I SEE WHAT YOU MEAN, HONEY
FIVE YEARS IS PROBABLY MUCH MORE REALISTIC, ISN'T IT?
1-3

## HI & LOIS

DITTO IS REALLY MILKING HIS STOMACH BUG FOR MAXIMUM SYMPATHY.
MOM, I THREW UP A LITTLE AGAIN.
DITTO, I DON'T NEED CONSTANT UPCHUCK UPDATES.
1-3

## BC

IF NATION A HAS DECENT CREDIT AND AMPLE RESERVES OVER NATION B, BUT NATION B HAS BETTER CREDIT...
MISS MONEY
WHO WOULD WIN A TRADE WAR?
THE BANK.
MISS MONEY
1-3-20

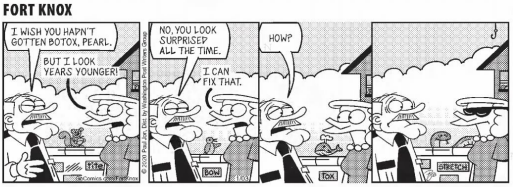
## WIZARD OF ID

## DILBERT

IT MIGHT BE MY IMAGINATION, BUT IT LOOKS AS IF ALL OF OUR EMPLOYEES ARE INCOMPETENT.
WE NEED TO CREATE A TANGLE OF BUREAUCRATIC RULES THAT MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO GET ANYTHING DONE.
YOU WANT TO USE INEFFICIENCY TO PROTECT US AGAINST INCOMPETENCE?
YIN AND YANG.

## GARFIELD

## FORT KNOX




## PICKLES

WHATCHA DOING?
LOOKING FOR MY BOBBIN.
I WAS TRYING TO MEND MY SKIRT BUT I CAN'T FIND MY SEWING MACHINE BOBBIN.
WELL, I CAN TELL YOU EXACTLY WHEN YOU'LL FIND IT.
REALLY? WHEN?
"WHEN THE RED RED ROBIN COMES BOB, BOB BOBBIN' ALONG!"

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

## BABY BLUES

WHAT ARE YOU EATING?
STUFF FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY BACKPACK
IT TASTES LIKE A COMBINATION OF TRAIL MIX, TORTILLA CHIPS AND OLD COUGH DROPS. WANT SOME?
PASS
IT'S NOT BAD IF YOU EAT AROUND THE LINT.

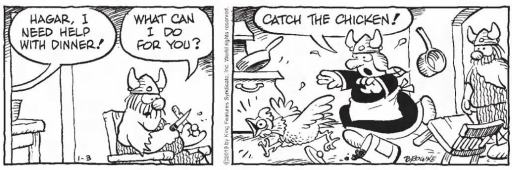
## CURTIS

YEARS AGO AN INCIDENT AT MY SCHOOL WAS AVERTED BY A GIRL NAMED PIXEL ANNE-LEE.
A UNIQUE GIRL IN A MASK.
SHE COULD MAKE ANIMALS HAPPY, SENIOR CITIZENS LAUGH, AND SHE GAVE US OUR LIVES.
IF YOU'RE READING THIS, PIXEL ANNE-LEE, I'D LIKE TO SAY THANKS.

## ZITS

ARE YOUR PARENTS LETTING YOU GO TO THE CONCERT?
THEY'RE CONSIDERING IT.
OOH! A TEXT FROM MY MOM. THIS COULD BE IT!
WHAT'S IT SAY?
I'D SAY THAT'S A QUALIFIED "YES."

## HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

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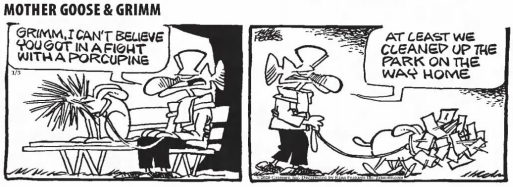


## MUTTS

## SALLY FORTH

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS
#5: MEET NEW PEOPLE
2020
NO.
BESIDES, WE'RE AT THE POINT IN OUR LIVES WHEN THE ONLY NEW PEOPLE WE'LL MEET ARE THROUGH HILARY'S SCHOOL, AT WORK, OR IN LINE WHEN SOMEONE TURNS AROUND TO START COMPLAINING ABOUT THE LINE AS WE STARE INTO THE MIDDLE DISTANCE HOPING FOR SWEET SILENCE.
1-3

## DENNIS THE MENACE

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BASKETBALL
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# Prime Time TV

**FRIDAY EVENING JAN. 3**

| | 7:30 | 8 PM | 8:30 | 9 PM | 9:30 | 10 PM | 10:30 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ABC (7) (13) (41) (57) | Wheel of Fortune | Housewife | Fresh Off the Boat | 20/20 | | | |
| CBS (2) (3) (22) | Ent. Tonight | Hawaii Five-0 (N) | | Magnum P.I. "Desperate Measures" (N) | | Blue Bloods "Careful What You Wish For" | |
| NBC (5) (8) (16) | Ac. Hollywood | Ellen's Game of Games | | Dateline NBC (N) | | | |
| FOX (17) (22) (28) (32) | Modern Family | WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (L) | | | | Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) | |
| PBS (34) | Overheard | Washington Week | Firing-Hoover | Country Music "The Rub (Beginnings -- 1933)" Country music's first big stars. | | | |
| CW (25) | Big Bang Theory | Penn & Teller: Fool Us | | Whose Line Is It? | Whose Line Is It? | News | Seinfeld |
| MNT (50) | Family Feud | Chicago P.D. "Reckoning" | | CSI: Miami A reality TV star is murdered. | | CSI: Miami "Sleepless in Miami" | |
| WCIU (26) | Mike & Molly | Penn & Teller: Fool Us | | Whose Line Is It? | Whose Line Is It? | 2 Broke Girls | 2 Broke Girls |
| WHME (46) | :00 Heartland | Heartland Lou's life in Dubai. | | Highway to Heaven "Wally" | | The List (N) | Celebrity Page (N) |
| WGN (9) | News | Family Classics: Animal Crackers A presentation of "Animal Crackers." | | | | WGN News at Nine (N) (L) | |
| A&E | 5:00 Live PD | :06 Live PD: Rewind (N) | | Live PD "Live PD -- 01.03.20" (N) (L) | | | |
| AMC | Ghostbusters II | ★★ Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian ('09, Children's) Ben Stiller, Robin Williams. | | | | | Ace Ventura |
| Animal | Pit Bulls | Pit Bulls-Parole | | Pit Bulls-Parole | | Pit Bulls-Parole | |
| BET | 6:00 ★ Baggage Claim | | | ★★ Are We There Yet? ('05) | | | |
| Big Ten | Tip-Off | College Basketball Rutgers at Nebraska. | | | | Postgame | B1G |
| Bravo | :16 Below Deck | | | :18 ★★ Sex and the City ('08, Romance-Comedy) Sarah Jessica Parker, Kim Cattrall. | | | |
| Cartoon | Apple | American | American | Burgers | Burgers | Fam. Guy | Fam. Guy |
| Cinemax | Adjustment Bur | ★★★ Die Hard ('88, Action) Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman, Bonnie Bedelia. | | | | :15 Die Hard With a Vengeance | |
| CMT | Last Man | Last Man | Last Man | Last Man | Last Man | Last Man | Last Man |
| CNBC | Shark | Shark Tank | | Shark Tank | | Shark Tank | |
| CNN | OutFront | Anderson Cooper | | Anderson Cooper | | CNN Tonight | |
| Comedy | South Pk | South Pk | South Park | | South Pk | South Pk | South Pk |
| Discovery | Gold Rush: Pay | Gold Rush (N) | | | | | |
| Disney | Raven | ★★ Dr. Seuss' the Lorax | | | Gabby | Coop | Sydney |
| DIY | Barnwood | Holmes & Holmes | | Holmes & Holmes | | Holmes & Holmes | |
| E! | :00 ★★ Maid in Manhattan ('02) | | | | He's Just Not That Into You | | |
| ESPN | NBA | NBA Basketball: 76ers at Rockets | | | | | Basket |
| ESPN2 | College Basketball | | | High School Basketball | | | SportCtr |
| ESPNC | 6:00 NBA | College Football From Dec. 31, 2013. | | | | College Football | |
| Food | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners | Diners |
| Fox News | The Story | Tucker Carlson | | Hannity (N) | | The Ingraham Angle | |
| Fox Sports | Wingspan | Wings | NHL Hockey | Detroit Red Wings at Dallas Stars. (N) | | | |
| Freeform | 5:55 Matilda | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy | Family Guy |
| FX | 5:30 Baywatch | ★★★ Girls Trip ('17) Regina Hall. Girlfriends get wild at the Essence Festival in New Orleans. | | | | | Girls Trip |
| Golf | PGA Golf | | | | | Golf Central (N) | |
| Hallmark | Cottage | The Sweetest Christmas ('17, Romance) Lacey Chabert, Lea Coco. | | | | My Christmas Dream ('16) | |
| HBO | Bruce Almighty | ★★ Pokémon Detective Pikachu ('19) Justice Smith. | | | :45 REAL Sports With Bryant Gumbel | | Darjeeling Ltd |
| History | Aliens | Ancient Aliens | | :02 Ancient Aliens | | :05 Ancient Aliens | |
| HGTV | Dream | Dream | Dream | Dream | Dream | Dream | Dream |
| Learning | 90 Day | Dr. Pimple Popper | | Feet-Killing Me | | My 600-Lb. Life (N) | |
| Lifetime | Surviving R. Kelly | Surviving R. Kelly | | Surviving R. Kelly (N) | | :06 Surviving R. Kelly (N) | |
| MSNBC | Hardball | All In With | | Rachel Maddow | | The Last Word | |
| MTV | Eclipse | ★★ The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 1 | | | | | Twilight |
| NBCSCH | Sports | NBA G League Basketball: Herd at Bulls | | | | | Football |
| NFL | NFL Total | NFL Football Teams TBA. | | | | | |
| Nick | Musical | Sponge. | Sponge. | Sponge. | Sponge. | Friends | Friends |
| NGEO | Drugs, | Drugs, Inc. | | Drugs, Inc. | | Drugs, Inc. | |
| Oxygen | :00 Snapped | Dateline: Secrets Uncovered (N) | | Snapped A manhunt through the Ozarks. | | Snapped "Uloma Curry-Walker" | |
| Parmt | :00 ★★ Shooter ('07) Mark Wahlberg. | | | | | The Italian Job | |
| Showtime | 6:15 ★★★ The Fugitive ('93) | | ★★ The Wedding Guest ('18) Dev Patel. (P) | | | :05 Flack "Patrick: Uncensored Version" | |
| Starz | :27 ★★ Brightburn ('19, Horror) Elizabeth Banks. | | | Dublin Murders "Episode 108" | | :04 ★★★ Rocky Balboa ('06) | |
| STZENC | 6:58 ★★★ Saturday Night Fever ('77) John Travolta. | | | ★★★★ Pulp Fiction ('94) John Travolta, Samuel L. Jackson. | | | |
| SyFy | :00 Manifest | Manifest "Upgrade" | | Manifest "Hard Landing" | | Manifest Saanvi has another panic attack. | |
| TBS | Seinfeld | ★★ Liar Liar ('97) Jim Carrey. A fast-talking lawyer cannot tell a lie. (DVS) | | | | ★★ Vacation ('15) Ed Helms. | |
| TCM | Things to Come | ★★★★ Planet of the Apes ('68) Charlton Heston, Roddy McDowall. | | | | Beneath the Planet of the Apes | |
| TMC | Dead Again | ★★★ Ghost ('90, Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore. (P) | | | | :15 When Harry Met Sally... ('89) | |
| TNT | :00 Bones | ★★ Eagle Eye ('08, Action) Shia LaBeouf. | | | | | Red 2 |
| Travel | Kindred | Kindred Spirits (N) | | Kindred Spirits | | Ghost Loop (N) | |
| TV Land | Andy G. | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | King | King |
| USA | Modern Family | Modern Family | Modern Family | Modern Family | Modern Family | Modern Family | Modern Family |
| VH1 | Training | ★★★ Men in Black ('97) Tommy Lee Jones. | | | | | Men Blk 2 |
| WGN-A | Last Man Standing | Last Man Standing | Last Man Standing | Last Man Standing | Last Man Standing | Last Man Standing | Last Man Standing |

# Bone density test helpful in diagnosing osteoporosis

**DEAR DOCTOR:** I just turned 65, and my doctor wants me to have a bone density test. What is it, and how does it work?

**DEAR READER:** A bone mineral density test, or BMD, measures the strength of one's bones. It's an important diagnostic tool for osteoporosis, a progressive disease in which bones become brittle and fragile and can easily break.

Although our bones appear hard and static, they are made up of living tissue. The honeycombed inner framework of a bone is composed of collagen, which is a protein. A mineral known as calcium phosphate provides strength and solidity. Together, these two substances create a strong and flexible structure that successfully withstands stress.

Our skeletons have a dynamic life cycle in which old bone is continuously removed, while at the same time new bone is added. In children and teens, the addition part of the cycle outpaces removal, allowing the skeletal bones to grow in both strength and density. This cycle peaks sometime in our late 20s, at which point bone reabsorption gradually begins to overtake bone formation. Certain hormonal changes that occur in women during menopause further accelerate that imbalance. The result is that old bone may be removed too quickly, new bone may be added too slowly, or both. Over time, the honeycomb framework within the bone grows increasingly porous, while the exterior structure becomes thinner.

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors

All of this leads us back to the scan your doctor has recommended. Known as a DXA test – that's short for dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry – it's essentially the same procedure and technology used in a standard X-ray. A machine delivers low-dose X-rays, which measure the amount of calcium and other bone minerals present in a segment of bone. The proportion of bone minerals to soft tissue reveals bone density.

The DXA test, which is most often used to measure bone density at the hip and the lumbar spine, is used to diagnose osteoporosis. It can also help assess risk of future fractures, and to detect whether a treatment for osteoporosis is working. The test, which is as quick and painless as an X-ray, is performed on an outpatient basis. It takes from 15 to 30 minutes to complete, depending on the part of the body being scanned. The results of the test, known as a T score, are presented as a comparison between your own bone density and that of a young adult at the peak of bone formation. A second measurement, known as a Z score, compares your bone density to people your own age, size and gender.

The BMD test is usually recommended for women when they turn 65. It may be recommended earlier than that if a woman has rheumatoid arthritis, low body weight or low vitamin D levels; has used a corticosteroid for three or more months; has a family history of osteoporosis; has experienced bone breaks resulting from a minor accident; has lost height; or is a heavy smoker or drinker. Depending on the results of the initial test, a followup test may be needed in one or two years.

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# How to teach a 3-year-old about religious differences

**DEAR CAROLYN:** My husband, 3-year-old son and I happily spend time with my husband's family, including our 4- and 6-year-old nieces. Our little guy parrots everything they do, of course.

They're Catholic. I'm an atheist and my husband's agnostic, and religion is not part of our lives.

Recently our niece offered to teach our son grace. I broke the ensuing awkward silence by suggesting the girls go ahead and we shouldn't hold up dinner.

Our son listened to his cousins recite grace and then repeated the prayer on his own. I kept my mouth shut and head down (I have no poker face).

We'll all be together again soon and I'm trying to figure out how to prepare without making a big deal.

Do I ask my husband to ask his sister to let her girls know our son doesn't say grace, but they should feel free to? Do we have a high-level talk with our son about what some people believe, and what we believe?

I don't think the in-laws will be psyched when our son blurts out, "My dads don't believe in God" – which he also absolutely will. Do I just let it all go until he's old enough to understand?

I don't mind his being exposed to religion (eventually), but I don't know how to balance the in-laws' traditions with my perspectives in an age-appropriate way. – Angsty Atheist

**DEAR ATHEIST:** Don't feel bad about not knowing what to do; you're in the good company of the entirety of humankind, give or take. Clearly we don't manage religious sensitivities well as a species.

But you already have so much in your favor: You don't want your in-laws to change their beliefs, which is everything. You frame things in terms of what you believe and what others believe, versus absolutes. You value the people in your life, your different beliefs notwithstanding. Yes, yes, yes.

Carolyn Hax

So trust these loving, respectful, inclusive instincts to guide you.

And your in-laws', which are obviously progressive on marriage, if nothing else.

Also trust that your son will come to his own beliefs. It's not your job to indoctrinate him in your way of thinking, right? It's to teach him to have manners, be considerate, value family, be a productive member of society, and think critically – all of which will lead him to a decency-based value system and religious or spiritual affiliation that *suits him* .

That's the only victory available here, because even if your deep-down-honest self admits wishing he'd follow your belief trail exactly, it's hardly a proud achievement to churn out an unquestioning follower. Good ideas stand up to the challenge of conflicting information.

Forget "eventually," too, because your son is already exposed to religion.

So: How do *you* handle being among believers, wanting neither to deceive nor offend? Do your manners and accommodations feel right? Then teach those to your son.

Just not through big talks. Kids invite our teachings through their questions. Respond with bite-size answers – using "some people believe [blank]" liberally, since it's honest, respectful and promotes broader thinking.

Any follow-up questions will be his way of telling you he's ready for more complexity. Offer him one more bite, then wait, repeat.

As for blurt-management, just be ready with, "We love his curiosity but his filter's a work in progress."

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# Crossword

**ACROSS**
1 Mollusk
5 Oz. or lb.
8 Place to winter
11 Tanker
13 Sarcastic retort
14 Do a takeoff
15 Coast along
16 Vast
18 Gross
20 Lax
21 Port near Kyoto
23 After taxes
24 Get tangled
25 Black-and-white snack
27 Bettor's concern
31 Luau strings
32 Grabs
33 Rani's wear
34 Bill of fare
36 Promise
38 Stylish
39 Type of appeal
40 Actress — Sedgwick
41 Countdown number
42 Work by Keats
44 Papas or Dunne
46 Seaweed
49 "Hawkeye" Pierce
50 Standing in line
52 Urged on
56 Floor covering
57 Right, to a mule
58 All geared up
59 Fabric meas.
60 Doze off
61 Swell, as a river

**DOWN**
1 Machine tooth
2 Dogpatch's — Abner
3 MacGraw of the movies
4 Radio and TV
5 Nautical greeting
6 Londoner's rainwear, briefly
7 Not those
8 Carvey or Delany
9 "Aeneid" or "Beowulf"
10 Blouse part
12 Guess
17 Choir members
19 Bar sing-along
21 Like some chests
22 Old office worker
23 Nasal cavity
24 Football corsages
26 Online auction
28 Pythias' friend
29 Male honeybee
30 Fries or slaw
35 Kapitan's command (hyph.)
37 Tougher
43 Condescend
45 Raring to go
46 Crooked
47 Extol
48 Rock band bookings
49 Got older
51 Opposite of "paleo"
53 Moo goo — pan
54 Sullivan and Murrow
55 Tint

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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# Jumble

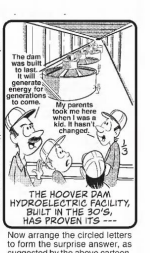
Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

RYOWR

NOYHE

GLEPTI

STARGI


The dam was built to last—it will generate energy for hundreds to come.
My parents took me here when I was a kid. It hasn't changed.
THE HOOVER DAM HYDROELECTRIC FACILITY, BUILT IN THE 30'S, HAS PROVEN ITS ---
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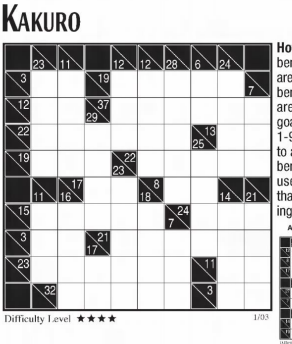
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: SORRY HEAVY ZODIAC TIRADE
Answer: He refused to wear his seat belt when behind the wheel, and that – DROVE HER CRAZY

# Kakuro



Difficulty Level ★★★★ 1/33

**How to play:** Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

Answer to previous puzzle

| | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | |
| | 8 | 4 | 9 | 5 | | 1 | 2 | 5 |
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| | 9 | 3 | 7 | | 1 | 8 | 2 | 8 |

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# Bridge

In "Macbeth," William Shakespeare wrote, "False face must hide what the false heart doth know." In yesterday's deal, Pablo Ravenna from Argentina found a beautiful deceptive defense to persuade a top declarer to go down in four spades doubled. East in today's deal was Kevin Rosenberg, from the United States. He was playing in the Platinum Pairs at the Spring North American Championships last year in Memphis. Then, every trick was valuable.

How did the play go in four hearts after West led a club?

In the auction, South's opening bid was limited to 15 high-card points. Then North asked questions, and South showed 2=5=4=2 distribution with a hand that had some slam suitability. North, though, was happy with game.

Looking at the full deal, you would expect South to take 12 tricks – as happened at almost every table. The spade king, heart ace and heart queen are all onside.

However, when declarer won the first trick with dummy's club ace and called for a low trump, Rosenberg (East) smoothly played his queen!

South won with his king and, suitably fooled, ran the heart eight, losing two tricks to East's heart nine and heart ace.

That great deceptive play was awarded the

North 01-03-20
♠ A Q 8 3
♥ J 5 2
♦ K Q 4 3
♣ A 10

West
♠ K 9 7 6 4
♥ 4 3
♦ 9 8 5
♣ 9 4 3

East
♠ 5 2
♥ A Q 9
♦ J 2
♣ Q J 8 6 5 2

South
♠ J 10
♥ K 10 8 7 6
♦ A 10 7 6
♣ K 7

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: Neither

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Pass |
| 1♥ | Pass | 2♣ | Pass |
| 2♦ | Pass | 2♥ | Pass |
| 2NT | Pass | 3♦ | Pass |
| 3♥ | Pass | 3♠ | Pass |
| 3NT | Pass | 4♥ | All Pass |

Opening lead: ♣ 9

Richard Freeman Junior Deal of the Year award from the International Bridge Press Association. The journalist prize went to John Hurd, who was the unlucky declarer.

# Sudoku

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★☆

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**How to play:** Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 6 | 5 |
| 7 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 3 |
| 8 | 5 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| 3 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 6 |
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| 6 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 3 | 2 |
| 9 | 3 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 8 |
| 1 | 6 | 8 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 5 | 9 |
| 5 | 2 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 3 | 7 | 1 |

Mark Lennihan / AP

**The St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, center, is under construction in 2018 at the World Trade Center in New York. New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo and officials with the Greek Orthodox church say they have a plan to complete construction of the church in time for the 20th anniversary of the 2001 terrorist attacks. Construction of the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine was halted in December 2017.**

# Cuomo: Rebuilding of church lost in 9/11 attacks to resume

**By KAREN MATTHEWS**
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Two years after a lack of funds halted construction of a marble-clad Greek Orthodox church at New York's World Trade Center site, Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Greek Orthodox officials announced plans Thursday to resume construction with the goal of finishing the rebuilding by the 20th anniversary of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

The completed St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine at the World Trade Center, designed by Spanish architect Santiago Calatrava, will welcome visitors from all faiths while also replacing an Orthodox church that was buried in the rubble of the trade center's south tower.

"This house of worship will serve as a reminder that our collective faith is something we can always count on to move past our painful memories and build a better tomorrow," Cuomo said in a statement.

Archbishop Elpidophoros, the head of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, pledged that the rebuilt church will be "open to all women and men of goodwill who wish to honor the memory of all who perished on Sept. 11."

The cost estimate of the church just south of the rebuilt trade center's memorial pools has ballooned from $20 million when the design was announced in 2013 to $80 million, of which $40 million remains to be raised, said the Rev. Alex Karloutsos, vicar general of the archdiocese.

Construction company Skanska U.S.A. halted work on the church in December 2017 when the archdiocese ran out of money to complete the project. The half-finished church has been covered in white tarp since then.

Karloutsos said archdiocesan officials expect construction to resume by early March.

"We have a full understanding of the cost and we have a construction manager named," he said. "We're going to be very transparent and accountable."

The design for the church by Calatrava, also the architect responsible for the trade center's bird-shaped Oculus train hall, features a central dome flanked by towers like the two Byzantine shrines that inspired it, the Hagia Sophia and the Church of the Holy Savior in Chora. The concrete structure will be sheathed in marble, and its dome will be lighted from the inside at night.

Officials with the archdiocese have acknowledged financial mismanagement during the tenure of the previous archbishop, Demetrios, who recently retired last year at age 91.

The new archbishop, Elpidophoros, said last June when he was installed as the first new leader in 20 years for the 1.5-million Greek Orthodox worshipers in the United States that completing the St. Nicholas shrine at the World Trade Center was his top priority.

Elpidophoros and Cuomo, a Democrat, said an independent 13-member board called Friends of St. Nicholas will lead the fundraising effort to complete construction. The board will be chaired by Greek-American businessman Dennis Mehiel, former chairman of New York's Battery Park City Authority.

Elpidophoros led a ceremony at the shuttered construction site on Dec. 6, St. Nicholas' feast day, calling the rebuilding of the church "the single most important public affirmation of our Orthodox faith in our American nation" since the late Archbishop Iakovos marched with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in Selma, Alabama in 1965.

# Texas judge: Hospital can remove baby from life support

**By JAMIE STENGLE**
Associated Press

DALLAS — A Texas judge on Thursday sided with a hospital that plans to remove an 11-month-old girl from life support after her mother disagreed with the decision by doctors who say the infant is in pain and that her condition will never improve.

Trinity Lewis had asked Judge Sandee Bryan Marion to issue an injunction in Tarrant County district court to ensure that Cook Children's Medical Center doesn't end her daughter Tinslee Lewis' life-sustaining treatment. Texas Right to Life, an anti-abortion group that is advocating for Tinslee, said the girl's mother will appeal the judge's decision.

Doctors at the Fort Worth hospital had planned to remove Tinslee from life support Nov. 10 after invoking Texas' "10-day rule," which can be employed when a family disagrees with doctors who say life-sustaining treatment should be stopped. The law stipulates that if the hospital's ethics committee agrees with doctors, treatment can be withdrawn after 10 days if a new provider can't be found to take the patient.

In a statement issued by Texas Right to Life, which opposes the "10-day rule," Lewis said she was "heartbroken" over the judge's decision. "I feel frustrated because anyone in that courtroom would want more time just like I do if Tinslee were their baby," she said.

The hospital said in a statement Thursday that in order to keep Tinslee alive, she's on a constant stream of painkillers, sedatives and paralytics. She currently has severe sepsis, which isn't uncommon when patients require deep sedation and chemical paralysis, it said.

"Even with the most extraordinary measures the medical team is taking, Tinslee continues to suffer," the hospital said.

Efforts to find another facility to take her have been unsuccessful. The hospital said it has reached out to more than 20 facilities. Texas Right to Life and Protect TX Fragile Kids have also been trying to find a facility to take her.

Prior to Thursday's ruling, both sides agreed that if Marion denied the injunction request, the hospital would wait at least seven days before taking Tinslee off life-support. In her decision, Marion said the seven-day period would give the girl's mother time to file a notice of appeal and a motion for emergency relief with a state court of appeals.

Tinslee has been at Cook Children's since her premature birth. The hospital said she has a rare heart defect and suffers from chronic lung disease and severe chronic high blood pressure. She hasn't come off a ventilator since going into respiratory arrest in early July and requires full respiratory and cardiac support.

Lewis testified at a hearing last month that despite her daughter's sedation, she has a sense of the girl's likes and dislikes, describing her as "sassy." She said Tinslee likes getting her nails done but doesn't like having her hair brushed.

"I want to be the one to make the decision for her," Lewis said about removing her daughter from life support.

At the hearing last month, Dr. Jay Duncan, one of Tinslee's physicians, described the girl's complex conditions and Cook Children's efforts to treat her, which have included about seven surgeries. The cardiac intensive care doctor said that for the first five months of Tinslee's life doctors had hope she might one day at least be able to go home.

But Duncan said there came a point when doctors determined they had run out of surgical and clinical options, and that treatment was no longer benefiting Tinslee. Duncan said last month that the girl would likely die within half a year, and noted the hospital has made "extraordinary" efforts to find another facility for her.

"She is in pain. Changing a diaper causes pain. Suctioning her breathing tube causes pain. Being on the ventilator causes pain," he said.

Duncan said there had been "many, many" conversations with Tinslee's family about her dire condition.

Tarrant County Juvenile Court Judge Alex Kim issued a temporary restraining order to stop the removal of life support on Nov. 10. But Kim was removed from the case after the hospital filed a motion questioning his impartiality and saying he had bypassed case-assignment rules to designate himself as the presiding judge.

After his removal, Judge Marion, who is chief justice of Texas' Fourth Court of Appeals, was assigned to hear the request for an injunction in Tarrant County district court.

The case has become a rallying point for Republicans in Texas, with the attorney general stating his opposition to the "10-day rule" and GOP state Rep. Tan Parker saying it "doesn't fit with Texas values."

The 1999 law that shields from lawsuits doctors who follow the process of going through an ethics committee was crafted by a task force that included lawmakers, attorneys, doctors and anti-abortion groups. Supporters of the law passed when George W. Bush, a Republican, was governor include the Texas Alliance for Life, the Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops and the Texas Medical Association.

Supporters say the law provides a framework for doctors and hospitals to resolve differences and ensures that doctors can't be forced to perform medical interventions that cause harm or suffering.

# Video edited to suggest Biden made racist remark

**By BEATRICE DUPUY**
Associated Press

A video of Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden that was selectively edited to falsely suggest he made racist remarks during a recent speech made the rounds Thursday on social media, raking in more than a million views on one tweet alone.

Experts have been warning about the dangers of selectively edited videos being used as a misinformation tactic ahead of the 2020 presidential election. They are easier to make and do not require the sophisticated technology needed to produce deepfake videos, which are fabricated to look realistic.

In the edited clip, which was less than 20 seconds long, Biden says, "Our culture is not imported from some African nation or some Asian nation." Social media users paired the video with comments like "It's almost like Joe Biden is a Racist." Posts with the video surfaced across social media platforms on Wednesday.

Charles Krupa / AP

**Democratic presidential candidate former Vice President Joe Biden addresses a gathering during a campaign stop in Exeter, N.H. on Monday.**

The clip was taken from ABC News coverage of Biden speaking for more than an hour in Derry, New Hampshire, on Dec. 30, 2019. A review of the full video shows that Biden was commenting on changing the culture around violence against women. In discussing the difficulty victims face reporting sexual assault on college campuses, he said, "Folks, this is about changing the culture, our culture, our culture, it's not imported from some African nation or some Asian nation. It is our English jurisprudential culture, our European culture that says it is all right."

Earlier in the discussion, Biden, when asked about his work with women and sexual assault victims, talked about the need to change an entrenched "cultural problem," that dates back centuries, noting that in the 1300s many wives were being beaten to death by their husbands without repercussions.

Biden's campaign confirmed to The Associated Press that the presentation in the edited video was inaccurate.

# Israeli court declines to rule on Netanyahu's eligibility

**By JOSEPH KRAUSS**
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israel's Supreme Court on Thursday declined to weigh in on whether Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu can return to his post now that he has been indicted, postponing any ruling on his political future until after March elections.

A three-judge panel said the question of whether an indicted member of parliament can be tapped to form a government is important, but that it would be premature to decide the issue before the vote.

The court had been widely expected to delay any ruling. Judging Netanyahu ineligible would have triggered a major political crisis and exacerbated already strained ties between the government and the judiciary.

Netanyahu was indicted in November on charges of bribery, fraud and breach of trust. Israeli Cabinet members are required to resign if indicted, but the rule does not apply to the prime minister. He has continued serving as caretaker prime minister after failing to form a government after unprecedented back-to-back elections last year.

Netanyahu has dismissed the corruption cases against him as an "attempted coup" and warned against any judicial intervention, saying only the voters can choose the country's leader.

There are no restrictions on Netanyahu running in the March 2 election – the third in less than a year. But the petition, filed by good government groups, contended that having a prime minister under indictment would constitute a conflict of interest. Others have argued that voters have the right to know before the election if Netanyahu is eligible to be prime minister.

The court said that the election campaign period is "a realm of uncertainty" and that it remains to be seen who the president will select to form a government after the March 2 vote. The judges said that in light of the "most sensitive and complicated period the state of Israel is in at this time," it decided to "act with restraint and moderation" and dismiss the petition for the time being.

Abir Sultan / Pool photo via AP

**Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu attends the weekly cabinet meeting at his office in Jerusalem on Sunday.**

The court's decision came the day after Netanyahu announced that he would seek immunity from prosecution, effectively delaying any trial until after a new government is formed.

Netanyahu hopes to win big in March and assemble a 61-seat majority in favor of immunity. But polls predict another split decision that would prolong the country's political limbo.

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# HOROSCOPE

BY EUGENIA LAST

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 3**

Simplicity and moderation will be essential this year. Refuse to let emotional matters get blown out of proportion or stop you from meeting your expectations. Stick close to home and to the people you love, and maintain a lifestyle you can afford. Take your time and build on solid ground.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** If you feel uncertain about something, take a rain check. Talk to someone you can rely on to offer sound advice. Stick close to home and avoid events you feel unsure about attending.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Accept only what makes sense to you. Don't feel that you must follow someone who is heading in a different direction than you. Concentrate on physical and emotional progress.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** It's out with the old and in with the new. Get up to date and prepare to switch into high gear when it comes to pursuing your goals.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You'll tend to overdo it and act too quickly. Think twice before you make a purchase, take on a responsibility or judge a situation without all the facts.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Work hard to accomplish all the little unfinished things before you move on to more engaging activities. Putting matters behind you will help improve your state of mind.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You'll be eager to spend time with someone who makes you feel alive. Plan an eventful evening that will encourage discussions regarding plans for the future. Romance is encouraged.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Refuse to let your emotions take the reins. You can make the most of your day, or you can make a fuss. Do what will benefit everyone the most with a smile on your face.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Extend an invitation to someone you have something in common with and see what transpires. A unique situation will take you in a new direction. Romance and personal gain are apparent.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Take it easy. If you agree to something too quickly, you'll have second thoughts. Develop an idea or proposition with precision and an eye for detail if you want to avoid setbacks.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** You are best off taking your time and not rushing into anything, even if you desire a lifestyle change. Emotions will run high. Focus on love, not on discord.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Start putting your ideas into play. One step at a time will bring you that much closer to what you want to achieve. Personal growth is favored.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Stick to the truth, be practical and make things happen. Get together with someone who brings out the best in you and celebrate your relationship. Romance is in the stars.


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Founded in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Kalsec® has delivered a brand built on honesty, integrity and trust that will keep us sustainable for the next 100 years. Continued growth of our business has resulted in offices worldwide including Asia, Europe, Mexico and North America.

Kalsec®, is currently seeking a highly talented Instrument & Control technician to join the I&E Maintenance team. The successful candidate will maintain production equipment operability by the installation, troubleshooting, calibration, and repair of the plant instrument and control systems and equipment.
Specific job functions include but are not limited to:
(1) Troubleshooting and repair of the plant PLC systems, including Allen Bradly and Opto22.
(2) Troubleshooting and repair of plant instrumented systems. (3) Be able to read, interpret, and mark up for revision, P&ID, Electrical, and Loop drawings.
(4) Calibration of gauges, transmitters, switches, and controllers in Class 1 Div. 1 hazardous locations.
(5) Maintain NIST tracible documentation for all calibrations. (6) Test and document the safety instrumented function (SIF) of instruments.
The ideal candidate will possess advanced problem-solving skills including the ability to think critically about difficult challenges, determine the root cause of problems hindering production and Process Safety Management (PSM), and apply sound strategies to solve them through the Management of Change (MOC) process.
To be successful, the candidate must possess excellent communications skills, being able to clearly and effectively communicate with peers, other departments, and supervision spanning multiple shifts.
Requirements
• Associate degree in Instrument and (Process) Control (I&C) or equivalent.
• Experience with calibration and calibration best practices.
• Instrumentation experience, including but not limited to, transmitters, switches, indicators, gauges, PH, guided wave radar, sonar, and PLC interfacing.
• Well versed in instrumentation test equipment.
• Have a good understanding of the physical properties of flow, level, temperature, and pressure, and how these properties interact and affect instrumentation and processes.
• Experience in troubleshooting with an understand of troubleshooting best practices for manufacturing systems and equipment.
• Must be able to read P&ID's, electrical diagrams/drawings, schematics, and loop drawings.

Desired:
• Five (5) years of calibration experience.
• Five (5) years of troubleshooting instrumentation and process control systems.
• Well versed in good documentation recording practices.
• Background in CMMS systems and their function in the plant.
• Experience with Class 1 Div. 1, Class 2 Div. 2, and Intrinsically Safe requirements as it applies to instrumentation.
• Basic understanding of the requirements of Arc Flash.
• Basic understanding of Process Safety Management (PSM).
• Preferred background working with Quality Assurance, Food Defense, and Safe Quality Foods.
• Well versed in the requirements of OSHA and MIOSHA this includes Lock Out Tag Out (LOTO).
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# "THIN"

**For any general merchandise item in any given week, the market of shoppers is very small (thin).**

**4.9% shopped for women's shoes**

Technological innovation and the economic downturn has changed the way that U.S. consumers shop. Consumers have become more destination shoppers, making more considered purchases and doing their homework before heading to the store. Three-quarters of all U.S. adults read a newspaper in print or online in the past week; over 170 million adults. For shoppers, newspaper advertising is an opt-in medium in an opt-out world.

95% of U.S. adults report that the recession has impacted their shopping in some way. 76% report doing fewer shopping trips. Adults also plan purchases more (67%). Actual purchases continue to be predominantly made in stores (79%) though shopping information channels have dramatically expanded.

**59%** of adults rank newspapers first as the media used to help plan shopping or make purchasing decisions in the past 7 days. 80% of newspaper readers report looking at advertising when reading the paper.

**41%** say newspapers are the medium used most to check out ads, more than all electronic media combined. (TV, radio, Internet)

**77%** of newspaper readers took an action as a result of a print newspaper ad in the past 30 days. 59% clipped a coupon, 52% bought something advertised and 45% visited a store.

**60%** of newspaper readers followed up a newspaper ad online in some way. 44% went to a website after seeing a print newspaper ad and 28% conducted an online search after seeing a newspaper ad.

**82%** of readers used a preprinted insert in the past 30 days. On average, adults keep inserts 4.4 days. 59% used to compare prices, 55% used to compare one circular to another, 52% saved until visiting the store and 43% used to make an unplanned purchase.

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